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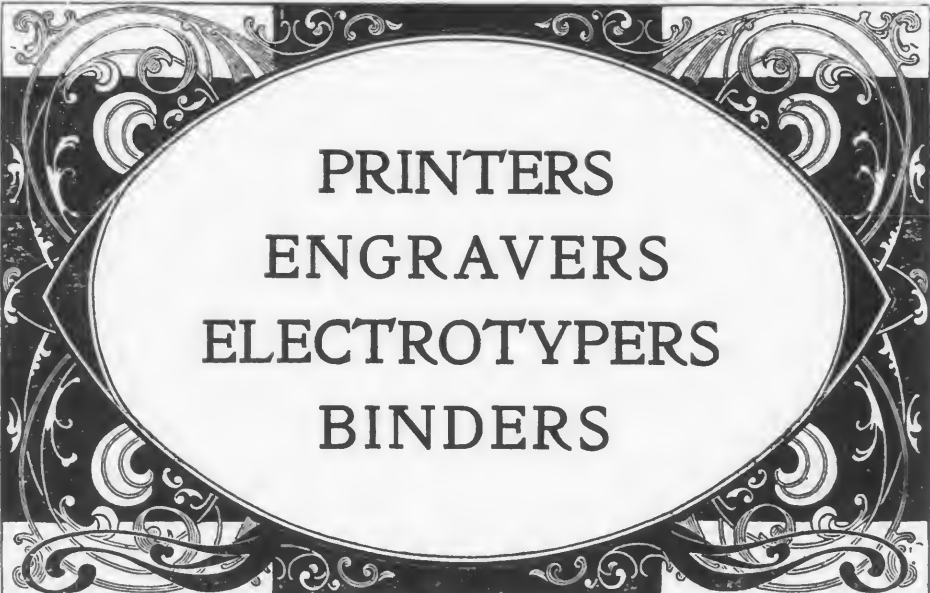
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STATE OF THE CHURCH.—*Class 1*, A. Hamilton, R. S. McColm, C. W. Briggs; *Class 2*, A. B. Leonard, J. H. McNary, H. A. M. Henderson; *Class 3*, J. W. Bashford, G. W. Dubois, J. Pearson.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CAUSE.—*Class 1*, J. F. Laird, C. H. Kalbfus, J. P. Ninde; *Class 2*, W. S. Gray, W. E. Spurrier, W. M. West; *Class 3*, F. M. Kirgan, A. G. Newton, I. R. Marshall.

TRACT CAUSE.—*Class 1*, C. L. Chapman, J. S. Ruggles, C. C. Peale; *Class 2*, C. T. Crum, T. G. Williams, J. A. Jenkinson; *Class 3*, J. E. Abrams, J. W. Peters, A. L. Brokaw.

TEMPERANCE.—*Class 1*, E. McHugh, J. W. Bashford, G. B. Shanor; *Class 2*, C. L. Myers, R. J. Wyckoff, J. A. Geissinger; *Class 3*, J. P. Porter, G. Roughton, H. W. Bailey.

TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES.—*Class 1*, G. W. Dubois, G. S. Easton, J. J. McCabe; *Class 2*, F. G. Mitchell, C. M. Van Pelt, J. F. Laird; *Class 3*, W. H. Wehrly, J. W. Magruder, M. B. Fuller.

## RULES OF ORDER.

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1. AFTER the usual **opening** religious exercises, the Secretary shall read the Minutes of the previous session.
2. No **motion** shall be entertained by the Conference till such motion shall have been seconded.
3. All **motions** shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member of the Conference.
4. Every member desiring to **speak** on any subject before the Conference shall rise and address the President.
5. The member who first rises and addresses the President shall be entitled to the **floor**.
6. No member shall **speak** more than once on the same subject till all who may desire to speak shall have spoken; nor more than fifteen minutes at a time, without leave of the Conference.
7. All questions of **order** shall be decided by the President, subject to an appeal to Conference, without debate.
8. When any question is under debate, no **motion** shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to commit, or to amend; but a motion to adjourn shall always be **in order**, and this, as well as a motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.
9. If the question before the Conference be capable of **division**, upon the call of any member, such question shall be divided.
10. The business of the Conference shall be conducted with **open doors**, unless otherwise ordered by the Conference.
11. Any question may be **reconsidered** on the motion of any member who may have voted with the majority.
12. If any member call for the **previous question**, and such call shall be sanctioned by a two-thirds vote of the Conference, the main question shall then be put.
13. Each **Committee** of the Conference shall choose its own **chairman**, unless the chairman be designated by the Conference or the President in the appointment of the Committee.
14. The members of the Conference shall assemble in the Conference-room punctually at the hour to which the Conference adjourned, and no member shall absent himself from the place of Conference session without **leave of absence**.
15. In all practicable cases, where **charges** are preferred against a member of Conference, notice shall be given to the President on the first day of the session, that, if it be judged proper, his name may be called, and the case referred to a Committee.
16. No member of Conference shall be subject to **arrest of character** without having been timely furnished, wherever practicable, with a written copy of the charges and specifications against him.
17. The vote on any question shall be taken by **ayes and noes**, upon the call of fifteen members.
18. The **roll** of the Conference shall not be called in open Conference for the purpose of obtaining **subscriptions** of money from the preachers, except for Conference expenses, unless it shall be ordered by a three-fourths vote of the members then present and voting.
19. The printed Minutes of the Conference, including all reports adopted by the Conference, officially signed by the President, and edited and attested by the Secretary, shall be the **official record** of its proceedings.
20. No member who has spoken on a pending motion shall have the right to call for the **previous question**, or to move to lay the same on the table.
21. Standing **Committees** shall be divided into **three equal classes**, to serve from the first appointment one, two, and three years respectively; and all appointments thereafter shall be for three years, any member being eligible to re-appointment.
22. The **first meeting** of each Standing Committee shall be held at 1.30 P. M. on the first day of the Conference Session, in the place indicated by the local Committee on Entertainment.

23. The presiding elders, those members of the Board of Examiners who have examined the candidates for **admission on trial**, and the Committees on general qualifications of such candidates, shall confer as one Committee, and shall recommend to the Conference the number, if any, and the names of those who should be received on trial at each session. The decision of this Committee shall be made, irrespective of the charges or districts from which the candidates are recommended.

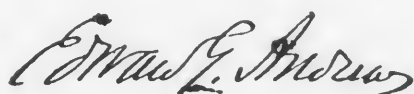
24. When the **roll-call** of the first day's session shall have been completed, the Conference shall rise, and remain standing, while the Secretary calls the roll of members who have died during the year.

## OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION.

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Dayton, Ohio, September 5, 1899.

*The Reports and Proceedings herewith published were adopted by the Cincinnati Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at its session held August 30 to September 5, 1899, in this city. By the rules of the Conference, these printed Minutes, together with all the Reports, were made the Official Record of its Proceedings.*



President.



Secretary.

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# CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL, 1899.

NOTE.—The numbers on the left of the name indicate the year of admission into full connection. The letter P on the right shows the attendance.

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1833	Adam Miller, . . . . .	P.	1866	David C. Vance, . . . . .	P.
1840	Richard A. Arthur, . . . . .	.....	"	James P. Porter, . . . . .	P.
1841	Thos. H. Pearne, . . . . .	P.	"	Madison A. Richards, . . . . .	P.
1844	Wm. I. Fee, . . . . .	P.	1867	Wm. P. Jackson, . . . . .	P.
"	Richard S. Rust, . . . . .	P.	"	Samuel W. Carey, . . . . .	P.
1845	Wm. H. Sutherland, . . . . .	P.	"	John Pearson, . . . . .	P.
"	Samuel B. Smith, . . . . .	P.	"	Adam Bowers, . . . . .	P.
1849	Samuel D. Clayton,* . . . . .	.....	1868	Francis M. Clemans, . . . . .	P.
1850	Michael Kauffman,* . . . . .	.....	"	Andrew Hamilton, . . . . .	P.
"	Jas. T. Bail, . . . . .	P.	"	John W. Peters, . . . . .	P.
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"	Milton P. Zink, . . . . .	P.	1869	Edward T. Wells, . . . . .	P.
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"	Evan P. James, . . . . .	P.	"	John Wilson, . . . . .	P.
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"	Patrick Carland,* . . . . .	.....	"	John A. Easton, . . . . .	P.
1859	Fletcher W. Hypes,* . . . . .	.....	"	John W. Gaddis, . . . . .	P.
"	Sullivan W. Edmiston, . . . . .	P.	"	James F. McCollm, . . . . .	P.
"	James P. Shultz, . . . . .	P.	"	Thomas Cundy, . . . . .	P.
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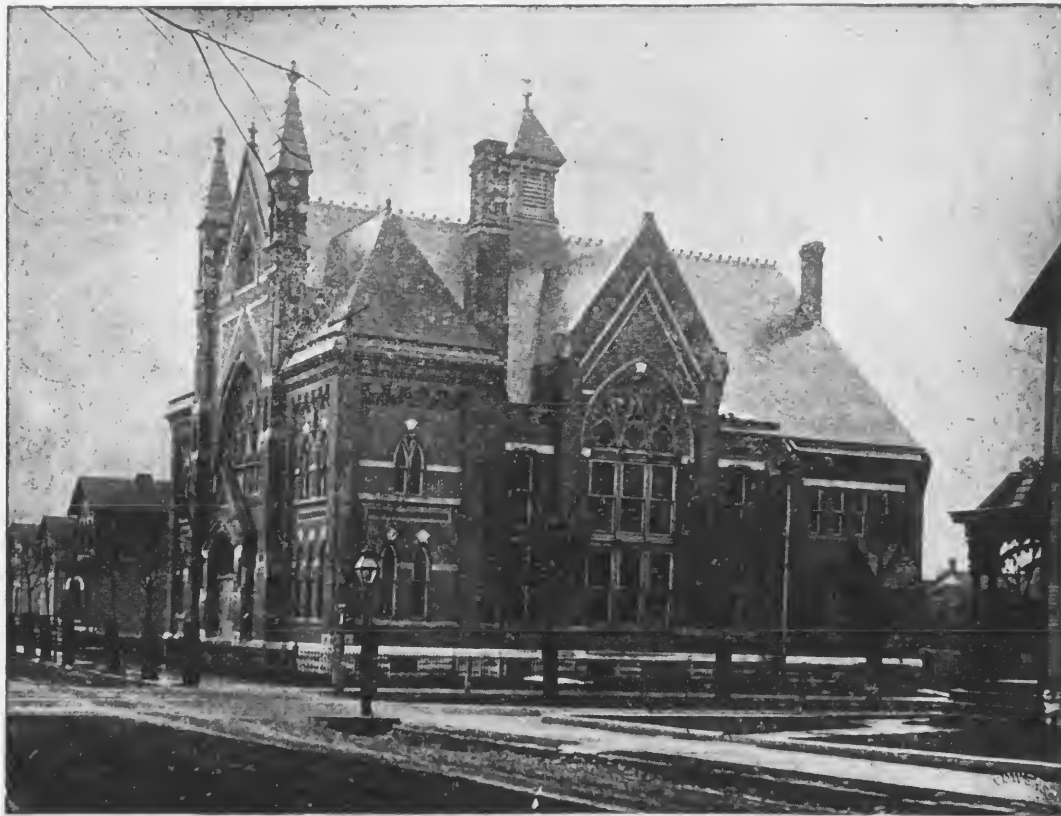
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"	Edwin O. Buxton, <sup>†</sup> . . . . .	P.	"	Abraham L. Brokaw, . . . . .	P.
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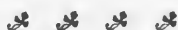




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# Journal of Proceedings.



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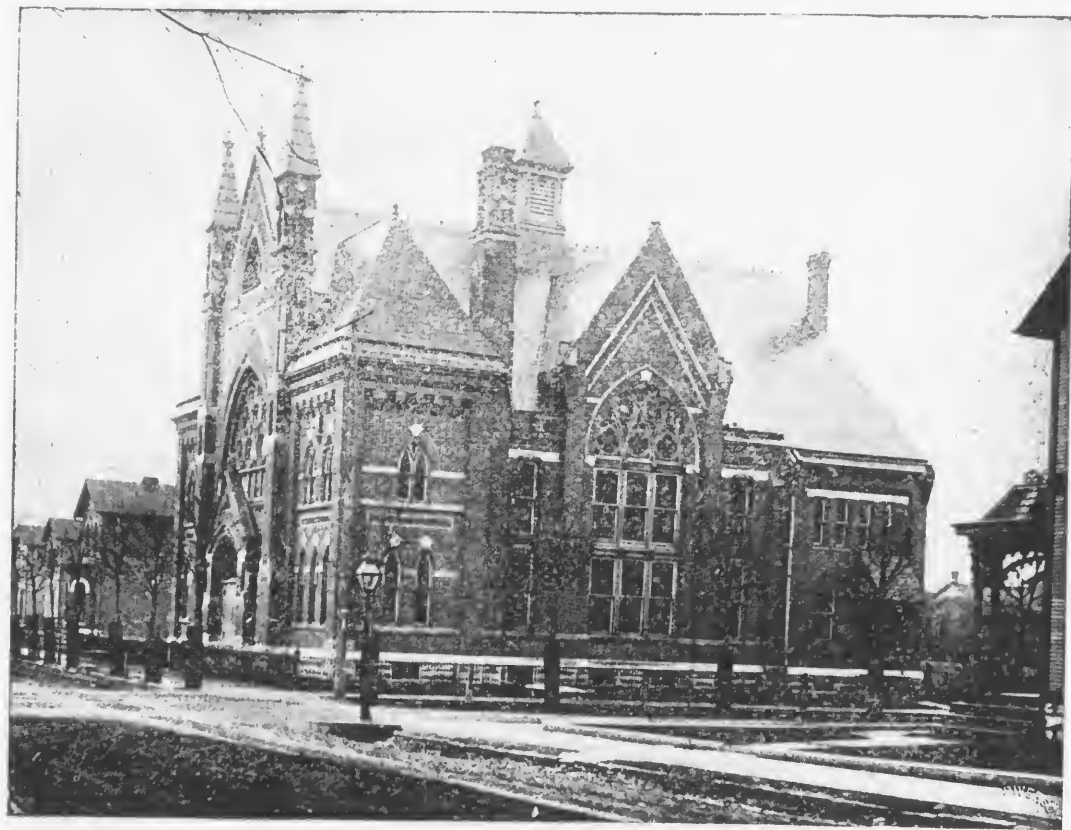
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On motion of D. J. Starr, a like Committee was appointed to convey sympathy to Brother A. M. Griffith. The Committee consisted of W. A. Robinson, D. J. Starr, and R. K. Deem.

The Rules of Order for the last session were readopted.

On motion of J. W. Gaddis, a Committee was appointed to express sympathy to Dr. R. S. Rust, who is absent on account of the illness of his wife. The Committee consisted of W. I. Fee, J. W. Gaddis, and W. H. Sutherland.

The Secretary made an announcement concerning arrangements for reduced fare on the railroads, and, on his motion, William E. Brooks was recognized as Railroad Secretary.

Bishop J. W. Hott, of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, was introduced, and, on the request of the Conference, made a brief address. Remarks were also made by Bishop Andrews, with reference to this, his third Superintendency of this Conference.

The list of Standing Committees was read by the Secretary, and, after some changes, the complete list was adopted. (See page 466.)

**Twentieth-Century Fund.**—D. Lee Aultman offered the following paper, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the presiding elders be appointed a Special Committee upon the Twentieth-century Thank-offering, to report to this body at the earliest practical moment, so that the Cincinnati Annual Conference shall be fully in line with this great movement.

Pastor J. G. Vaughan made announcements concerning various meetings, and presented an invitation to visit the National Cash Register and the Soldiers' Home to-morrow afternoon.

H. C. Weakley, on behalf of the Board of the New Methodist Home for Old People, at Yellow Springs, presented an invitation to visit that Home to-morrow, after the morning session.

After some discussion, it was finally decided that we meet to-morrow at 7.45 A. M., and devote three-quarters of an hour to devotions, under the direction of Rev. Joseph H. Smith, of the Philadelphia Conference.

On motion of J. G. Vaughan, 11.30 was fixed as the hour for adjourning each morning session.

On motion of John Pearson, the invitations to visit the Yellow Springs Home and the National Cash Register were accepted, and it was also decided to adjourn at eleven o'clock to-morrow to make the excursion.

It was also voted to accept the invitation to the Soldiers' Home at such time as could be hereafter arranged.

**Memorial Service.**—Heber D. Ketcham presented the following paper concerning arrangements for Memorial Service, and it was adopted:

Inasmuch as the Memorial Service is one of the most sacred taking place in the entire Conference session, and should be a part of our regular Conference business, and inasmuch as great difficulty is always experienced in satisfactorily adjusting it, which this year will be greater, owing to the unprecedented number of deaths,

*Be it Resolved*, That the Memorial Service this year be set for 10 A. M. next Monday, that statements of the lives, not to exceed three minutes for each, be given, which presentation shall be previously supervised by the Committee on Memoirs; following these a Memorial sermon shall be preached, not to exceed one-half hour. The full Memoirs shall be printed in the Conference Minutes.

J. W. Magruder and O. M. Sellers were excused from the seat of Conference on account of funerals.

Dr. M. C. B. Mason, of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, was then introduced, and addressed the Conference.

By vote, John Pearson, recently appointed District Agent of the American Bible Society, was invited to address the Conference at ten o'clock Thursday morning.

Bishop Andrews presented papers and communications, which were referred to the proper Committees.

**Hillsboro College.**—T. H. Pearne presented documents from the Trustees of Hillsboro College, which were referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of F. G. Mitchell, a Committee of seven was ordered to consider national affairs.

C. J. Little, President of Garrett Biblical Institute, and Joseph H. Smith, of the Philadelphia Conference, were introduced.

The Bishop appointed William Runyan to preside at the afternoon session.

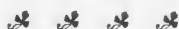
The announcements were made, the Doxology sung, and Bishop J. W. Hott pronounced the benediction.

## FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At two o'clock the Conference assembled for a Statistical Session, with William Runyan in the chair. Devotions were conducted by R. E. Smith.

The list of charges was called by C. F. Enyart, the pastors present reporting statistics and collections. W. H. Wehrly was appointed to receive the reports of circuit salaries and tabulate them for the Minutes.

After announcements, the session adjourned with the benediction by D. Lee Aultman.



## SECOND DAY.

*THURSDAY, August 31, 1899.*

At 7.45 this morning the Conference opened with devotional exercises led by Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

At 8.30 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair, and the business of the session began with the reading and approval of the journal of yesterday's morning and afternoon sessions.

The Statistical Secretary and Treasurer called a list of the charges not making reports, and of those whose reports were incorrect.

A letter from the Corresponding Secretaries of the Missionary Society was presented, asking for a separate column for reports of collections for missionary debt, and, on motion, the Statistical Secretary was directed to so arrange his reports.

On motion of W. H. Wehrly, it was ordered that all reports of circuit salaries be presented to the Statistical Secretary for publication in the Minutes.

The Bishop announced the following Committees: To Preach the Memorial Sermon—J. P. Porter; On National Affairs—F. G. Mitchell, Howard Henderson, D. W. Clark, Edmund Burdsall, H. D. Ketcham, J. W. Bashford, and W. H. Wehrly.

**Drafts Ordered.**—The Bishop presented drafts for the benefit of Conference claimants, as follows: \$22 from the Chartered Fund, and \$1,047 from the dividend of the Book Concern. By vote the drafts were ordered.

A communication from the Treasurers of the Episcopal Fund was read by the Secretary, and ordered placed on file.

A communication from the Missionary Secretaries requesting the appointment of District Missionary Secretaries was presented, and the letter was referred to the Committee on Missions.

**Baltimore Conference Proposition.**—A communication from the Baltimore Conference containing a proposal for a Constitutional change was presented by the Secretary, and, on his motion a Committee was ordered to consider the same.

**The Nineteenth Question**—“*Who have been permitted to withdraw under Charges or Complaints?*”—was taken up. C. W. Barnes, presiding elder of the Springfield District, read a letter from Frank E. Vance, requesting the privilege of withdrawal, and, on motion, he was permitted to withdraw under charges. He was also required to surrender his parchments. C. W. Barnes also presented the records of the preliminary investigation for filing with Conference papers.

Bishop J. M. Thoburn was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Leave of absence was granted J. L. Glascock and H. W. Bailey.

**The Thirteenth Question**—“*Was the Character of Each Preacher examined?*”—was taken up. The name of D. C. Vance was called, his character passed, and his relation was changed at his own request to superannuate, and his needs were commended to the consideration of the Board of Stewards.

**The Jane Austin Bequest.**—Edmund Burdsall presented the following report concerning the will of Jane Austin:

“Paragraph 7. I give and bequeath the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to a fund for the support of old and disabled ministers and their widows.” The estate was able to pay a dividend of 55.47 per cent of the devise, which gave us but \$277.35. The necessary legal expenses in securing the same were \$35, which left a net balance of \$242.35, a part of which was placed on interest for a short time, making the total amount of \$245.

Brother Burdsall asked for directions concerning the final disposition of the money, and it was ordered paid to the Conference Trustees, that the proceeds of the fund might be used in perpetuity for Conference claimants.

On motion of E. Burdsall, a vote of thanks was tendered to Brandin and Bird, of Lebanon, who conducted the case in the courts without expense to the Church, save necessary traveling expense. The vote of thanks was given, including Brother Burdsall, who had given careful attention to the bequest.



**Springfield High School and Female College.**—E. T. Wells, representing the Board of Trustees, presented the condition of the Springfield High School and Female College. F. G. Mitchell, on behalf of the Committee appointed last year concerning the disposition of the above named institution, presented the report of the Committee. (See Report, page 566.) A plan for the disposal of the property was presented by the Trustees, and read by the Secretary, which plan proposed was adopted. (See Report, page 584.)

On motion of J. W. Bashford, Bishop Thoburn was invited to speak at the anniversary of the Educational Society to-night.

Dean Buell, of the Boston Theological Seminary, was introduced, and briefly addressed the Conference.

On motion of Dr. Marlay, L. O. Deputy was granted a superannuated relation at his own request, and his case was referred to the Board of Stewards for favorable consideration.

The following visiting ministers were introduced: H. M. Herman, pastor of the Reformed Church in Miamisburg; G. M. Matthews, D. D., of the United Brethren Church, editor of the *Religious Telescope*; W. H. Pierce, of the North Indiana Conference; B. F. Dimmick, D. D., of Central Pennsylvania Conference; F. G. Browne, D. D., of the North Indiana Conference, assistant editor of the *Western Christian Advocate*; D. H. Moore, D. D., editor of the *Western Christian Advocate*; and Dr. A. H. Thompson, editor of Sunday-school literature of the United Brethren Church.

T. H. Pearne presented the report of the presiding elders relative to the Twentieth-century Thank-offering. On motion of William Runyan, it was adopted. (See Report, page 587.)

On motion, the presiding elders were authorized to nominate the Commission provided for in the report. (See page 465.)

The Order of the Day was taken up, and Dr. John Pearson, Field Agent of the American Bible Society for Ohio, Michigan, and West Virginia, delivered an address upon the great work of the Bible Society.

Heber D. Ketcham presented the following paper, which was adopted:

In view of the deep sorrow into which our esteemed brother, John Vance, and his loyal, noble wife have been thrown, we, as a Conference, desire to convey to Brother Vance and his wife our deepest sympathy in this hour of their calamity. For many years they have been loyal to the

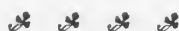
Church and the cause of God, and have ever enjoyed the confidence and love of the members of this Conference, and now we attest to them our continued love and sympathy, and pray that the God of all grace may be with them, to lead, to comfort, and bless them throughout all the years to come.

On motion, it was ordered that to-morrow morning, immediately after the reception of probationers into full membership, the delegates to the next General Conference be elected.

On motion of D. J. Starr, the Bar of the Conference was fixed on a line between the third pillars from the front.

**The Thirteenth Question** was resumed. R. H. Rust, presiding elder of the Cincinnati District, was called, his character passed, and he read the report of his work on the district.

Notices were given, the Bishop pronounced the benediction, and the session adjourned.



### THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 1, 1899.

THE Conference assembled a quarter before 8 o'clock, and continued in devotional exercises until half-past 8, at which hour Bishop Andrews took the chair.

The journal of yesterday was read, corrected, and approved.

**The Third Question**—" *Who are continued on Trial?*"—was taken up. Sheridan W. Bell and Lewis A. Washburn were called, announced their collections, their examinations were reported, and they were continued on trial in the Studies of the Second Year.

**The Ninth Question**—" *What Members are in the Studies of the Fourth Year?*"—was called. Archie W. Hook was represented by the Examiners and the presiding elder, and was advanced to the Studies of the Fourth Year, conditioned on Church History. Lewis E. Linzell, James A. Geissinger, Harley E. Armacost, were represented by the Examiners and presiding elder, and were passed to the Studies of the Fourth Year.

**The Tenth Question**—" *What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?*"—was taken up. Earl M. Ellsworth, Charles C. Peale, Clifford L. Myers, James A. Jenkinson,

Charles L. Chapman, and Homer G. Curless were called, the character of each passed, and, after reports from Examining Committees and presiding elders, they were passed in all their studies and elected to elders' orders.

Stephen B. Timmons also passed all the studies, having been previously ordained elder.

Announcement of the death of Mrs. A. B. Leonard having been made by Bishop Andrews, on motion of D. W. Clark, the Secretary of the Conference was directed to send our bereaved brother a telegram of sympathy.

**The Seventh Question**—"Who have been admitted into Full Membership?"—was taken up. The class continued on trial last year was called. They were addressed by the Bishop and responded to the Disciplinary questions. They each reported their collections, and Henry C. Hutchinson, Warren J. Dunham, Oliver P. Hoffman, and John L. Duckwall were admitted into full membership, having been ordained previously. Howard L. Torbet was also admitted into full membership and elected to deacon's orders. On his own request, Wm. L. Spence was continued on trial.

On motion of D. J. Starr, a committee was appointed to bear greetings to the Lay Electoral Conference, and to express our desire to visit them at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The Committee consisted of D. J. Starr, H. D. Ketcham, and J. P. Porter.

**Elections.**—The Order of the Day, the election of delegates to General Conference, was taken up. J. T. Bail, B. D. Hypes, Edmund Burdsall, U. G. Humphrey, C. W. Elliott, and M. E. Ketcham were appointed Tellers. D. L. Aultman was designated to act as Secretary in counting the vote.

The preliminaries for the election were agreed upon as follows: First, a majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to elect. Second, in case more than four receive a majority, then the four highest shall be the delegates. Third, each ballot must contain four names only, ballots containing more or less than four to be thrown out as defective. Fourth, the ballots to be cast by the members standing. Fifth, in case the Tellers can not decide the intent of a vote, they are to refer it to the Conference for decision. The ballot was then cast, and the Tellers retired to make the count.

A letter from the Y. M. C. A. of Dayton, extending the cour-

tesies of their Association room to the members of the Conference, was read, and the invitation was accepted with thanks.

The Bishop presented papers on Church Extension, which were referred to the Committee on that subject. By vote the presiding elders were directed to apportion to the several districts the amount asked from this Conference by the Church Extension Society.

On motion of George S. Easton, the time of this session was extended.

The Secretary presented two letters, one from the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Wesleyan University, asking the Conference to elect two new Trustees, which letter was referred to the Committee on Education.

**Mears Bequest.**—The second was from Lewis Curts, Agent of the Western Methodist Book Concern, regarding the Mears Bequest. On motion of J. F. Marlay, W. F. Boyd, of Cincinnati, was elected to fill the vacancy made by the death of Dr. J. M. Trimble, and the following record was made:

WHEREAS, By deed dated July 13, 1846, and recorded in Deed Book 114, page 226, of the Records of Hamilton County, Ohio, a certain lot lying on the west side of Sycamore Street, between Fifth and Sixth Streets, in the city of Cincinnati, was conveyed by John Mears and wife to Joseph M. Trimble and Leroy Swormstedt, Trustees, and their successors, in perpetual trust for the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which lot is within the territory of our Cincinnati Conference; and

WHEREAS, Said deed provides that "In case of the death of said Trustees aforesaid, or of either of them, the successor or successors, as the case may be, shall be appointed by the Ohio Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States of America, or the Conference of said Church aforesaid within whose territory the property aforesaid is situated;" and

WHEREAS, After the death of said Leroy Swormstedt, John M. Phillips was appointed his successor, and after the death of said John M. Phillips, John F. Marlay was, by this Conference, appointed and is still acting as his successor in said trust; and

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Trimble, the other Trustee named in said deed, has since died, and it is necessary to appoint his successor; therefore, it is hereby

*Resolved*, That Wm. F. Boyd be, and he is hereby, appointed Trustee to succeed to all the rights, powers, and duties which were by said deed vested in and conferred upon said Joseph M. Trimble, Trustee.

And thereupon came the said Wm. F. Boyd, and in open Conference accepted said trust.

John Pearson presented the report of the Trustees of the Mears Bequest, and it was ordered printed in the Minutes. (See page 583.)

**The Thirteenth Question** was resumed. All the effective elders of the Cincinnati District were called, the character of each passed, and they reported their collections.

By vote the Conference requested the reappointment of H. C. Weakley and W. K. Brown to the same positions which they held last year, and that Madison Swadener be appointed Superintendent of the Union Bethel.

R. H. Rust presented the request of the Board of Trustees of Harriman University in Tennessee that George M. Hammell be appointed a Professor in that institution, and, on motion, the Bishop was requested to make the appointment.

During the progress of the session, Dr. W. P. Thirkield, of the Savannah Conference; D. Y. Murdoch, Dr. W. F. Oldham, and Dr. W. H. Lewis, of the Ohio Conference; and J. F. Burnet, of the Christian Church in Eaton, Ohio, were introduced.

**The Twenty-second Question**—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"—was taken up. Sylvester Weeks, Chas. Hartley, W. G. Warner, C. J. Wells, J. L. Glascock, and Jonathan Verity were called, their characters passed, and they were continued in the supernumerary relation. The relation of F. M. Clemans was changed to effective, and the Bishop was requested to appoint him to the work of the Anti-saloon League. The relation of G. M. Hammell was changed to effective. At his own request, Adam Bowers was granted a superannuate relation.

D. J. Starr reported, for the Committee to arrange for the visit to the Lay Electoral Conference, that they desired to be received by this Conference in the audience-room of the Memorial Presbyterian Church, in which they are assembled. By vote the report was adopted, and it was decided to now adjourn to meet at the Memorial Presbyterian Church at two o'clock this afternoon.

Announcements were made and the session adjourned with the benediction.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON.

CONFERENCE assembled at two o'clock this afternoon in the Memorial Presbyterian Church.

**Election.**—The report of the Tellers was received, showing the whole number of votes cast, 166. Necessary to a choice, 84. Defective ballots, 3. A. B. Leonard having received 136 votes was declared elected. (For full ballot, see page 590.)

The Conference then proceeded in a body to receive the Lay Electoral Conference, where addresses were made by Bishop Andrews, Judge W. R. Warnock, and Bishop Thoburn. After the benediction by W. I. Fee, the Conference reassembled and took a second ballot for General Conference delegates.

On motion, the Tellers were instructed to keep secret the result of the ballot until the morning session.

The afternoon session then adjourned with the benediction.



FOURTH DAY.

*SATURDAY, September 2, 1899.*

THE session began with a devotional service of three-quarters of an hour under the leadership of Joseph H. Smith.

The journal of Friday's sessions was read and approved.

The Tellers reported the result of the second ballot for General Conference delegates, as follows: Whole number of votes, 145; necessary to a choice, 73; defective ballots, 1. George H. Dart received 94, and James W. Bashford 75, and they were declared elected.

A third ballot was taken for the fourth delegate, and the Tellers retired.

Announcements were made concerning the funeral of Mrs. A. B. Leonard, and, on motion of V. F. Brown, a Committee was appointed to represent the Conference in attendance at the funeral. The Committee was constituted as follows: J. F. Marlay, A. N. Spahr, J. A. Story, V. F. Brown, C. W. Barnes, Wm. Runyan, J. P. Porter, J. W. Mason, R. K. Deem, E. McHugh, E. Burdsall, C. M. Van Pelt, and J. W. Bashford.

A letter from F. G. McCauley, concerning the establishment of a Home for Orphans of Methodist Parentage, was read, and

referred to a Committee consisting of J. W. Gaddis, C. W. Gullette, H. W. Bailey, John Wilson, and John A. Story.

A communication from the Los Angeles, California, Ministerial Association, referring to an increase of the Chartered Fund through Twentieth-century Offerings, was read and referred to the last-named Committee.

Documents relative to Mr. Roberts, the recently-elected Representative to Congress from the State of Utah, were presented, and referred to the Committee on National Affairs.

The preliminary report of the Board of Stewards was read by W. J. Baker, and, at the recommendation of the Board of Stewards, it was directed that the allowance for W. M. West be paid in monthly installments, by the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards.

**Election.**—The Tellers, returning, announced the result of the third ballot as follows: Whole number of votes, 137; necessary to a choice, 69; defective ballots, 1. James P. Porter, having received 96 votes, was declared elected, and a ballot was taken for two reserve delegates. (For ballot, see page 590.)

S. A. Stephan was, by vote, left without appointment to attend school. W. L. Spence and W. J. Dunham were given credit for studies, and were passed to the Studies of the Fourth Year, but both were conditioned on essay.

**The Tenth Question**—“*What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?*”—was taken up. E. L. Hollingsworth and W. D. English were reported by the Examiners, and passed in all their studies, and were elected to elders' orders.

**The Eleventh Question**—“*What Others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?*”—was taken up. Edward W. Lutterman, recommended by the Asbury Quarterly Conference, and Adna W. Leonard, by the Green Village, N. J., Quarterly Conference, were elected to deacons' orders.

The Bishop announced the transfer, from the Erie Conference, of David G. Latshaw, a probationer in the Studies of the Third Year, and, after representation by the Examiners and the presiding elder, he was elected to deacon's orders.

Lewis E. Linzell was elected to elder's orders under the Missionary Rule. Lewis A. Washburn, recommended by the Montgomery Quarterly Conference, and Oliver P. Hoffman and John L. Duckwall, under ¶ 168, § 3, in Discipline, were elected to elders' orders.

The Tellers, returning, reported no election, and a second ballot for reserve delegates was taken.

Dr. James M. King, Corresponding Secretary of the Church Extension Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Dr. William V. Kelley, editor of the *Methodist Review*, was introduced, and spoke concerning the work of the periodical under his care.

The Tellers returned and reported that there was still no election, and a third ballot for reserve delegates was taken.

Dr. T. C. Iliff was introduced, and made a rousing address concerning Mormonism in its present relations to national affairs.

On motion of George S. Easton, the rule requiring all candidates for admission on trial to appear before the Committee on Qualifications was suspended. Samuel A. Keen was recommended for admission on trial by the Troy Circuit Quarterly Conference, and he was admitted and elected to deacon's orders.

**Election.**—The Tellers again returned, and reported as follows: Whole number of votes, 141; necessary to a choice, 71; defective ballot, 1. S. O. Royal, having received 114 votes, was declared elected first reserve delegate. A fourth ballot was taken for the second reserve delegate. (For full ballot, see page 590.)

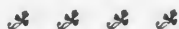
Appointments for the Sabbath were read by J. G. Vaughan.

George B. Johnson, cashier of the Western Book Concern, was introduced, and represented the publishing interests of the Church.

On motion, the time was extended.

The Tellers reported no election, and a fifth ballot was taken.

Further announcements were made, and Rev. Turner, of McKinley Methodist Episcopal Church, and A. S. Wooten, of the North Indiana Conference, were introduced, and the session adjourned with the benediction by Dr. W. V. Kelley.



## FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, September 4, 1899.

At 7.45 o'clock this morning the Conference opened with devotional services, led by Joseph H. Smith.

At 8.30 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair.

The journal of Saturday's session was read and approved.



**The Thirteenth Question** — “*Was the Character of Each Preacher Examined?*” — was again taken up, and John F. Marlay, presiding elder of the Dayton District, was called, his character passed, and he read the report of his district.

The names of all the effective elders in the district were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint Thomas Collett Financial Agent of the Preachers' Relief Society.

Calvin W. Horn, Conference Treasurer, made his final report to the Conference, and, on motion of the Secretary, the fractional moneys to the amount of \$17.73, remaining in the treasury, were ordered paid to the Publishing Committee. The report was adopted. (See page 534.)

On motion, the Sunday-school statistics were ordered printed in the Minutes by districts only.

F. G. Mitchell presented the report of the Committee on Nomination of Standing Committees for next year, and the report was adopted. (See page 468.)

On motion of H. C. Weakley, the Statistical Secretary was directed to provide a blank for collections for the Old People's Home next year.

**Election.** — The fifth ballot for second reserve delegate to the General Conference was reported, as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 130; necessary to a choice, 66; defective ballot, 1. John A. Story, having received 90 votes, was declared elected.

**Conference Boundaries.** — J. W. Bashford presented the following report of the Commission on Conference Boundaries:

The Commission on Conference Boundaries begs leave to report as follows:

WHEREAS, Your Commission was authorized to meet similar Commissions of the other Ohio Conferences only for a re-division of the entire State into four Conferences; and

WHEREAS, Two Conferences in Ohio failed to appoint Commissions, but simply committees, with no power to act; and

WHEREAS, Your Commission has no power to act with Commissions from two Conferences only for a re-division of a part of the State,—therefore, your Commission recommends that another Commission be appointed, with power to act with other Commissions from any Conferences in Ohio that desire the readjustment of boundaries.

J. W. BASHFORD,  
JOHN PEARSON,

HEBER D. KETCHAM,  
J. F. MARLAY.

The report was adopted, and the Commission was ordered, and the same persons were appointed on the Commission for next year, and the Secretary was directed to inform the Conferences concerned.

Leave of absence was granted V. F. Brown, Assistant Secretary, to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. B. Leonard.

Dr. E. M. Mills, Secretary of the Twentieth-century Thank-offering Fund, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

On motion, V. F. Brown was added to the Committee on Memoirs.

Dr. A. J. Palmer, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Dr. W. F. McDowell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education, was introduced.

**Memorial Services.**—The hour of ten o'clock having been fixed for the Memorial Service, the Bishop asked William Runyan to take charge of the service. He announced Hymn No. 982, beginning,

“How blest the righteous when he dies!”

after which sketches of the lives of Patrick Carland, John W. Cassatt, Samuel D. Clayton, Fletcher W. Hypes, Michael Kauffman, William B. Moler, Charles H. Payne, and William Q. Shannon, were read.

This was followed by the reading of short sketches of the lives of Mrs. Silas Bennett, Mrs. W. B. Jackson, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Angeline West, Mrs. David R. Warnock, Mrs. C. W. Ketcham, Mrs. W. N. Williams, Mrs. W. B. Moler, Mrs. I. R. Marshall, Mrs. M. Swadener, Mrs. J. McK. Shultz, Mrs. W. T. McMullen, and Mrs. A. B. Leonard. The time was extended and a memorial sermon was preached by James P. Porter from the text: “Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given us the earnest of the Spirit.” Bishop Andrews announced the hymn beginning

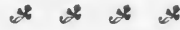
“Servant of God, well done,”

and the memorial service concluded with the singing of three verses of this hymn.

The following visitors were introduced: Prof. W. F. Whit-

lock and Prof. R. T. Stevenson, of the North Ohio Conference, and Cyrus B. Austin, of the Central Ohio Conference.

After the giving of notices, Bishop Andrews pronounced the benediction.



## SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, September 5, 1899.

THE Conference opened with devotions conducted by D. L. Aultman. At half past eight o'clock, Bishop Andrews took the chair, and the journal of Monday's session was read and approved.

**The Twenty-third Question**—"*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" — was called, and the following were continued in the same relation: L. F. Young, J. H. Middleton, J. F. Loyd, W. T. McMullen, Adam Miller, A. M. Griffith, J. F. Hull, S. N. Marsh, T. E. Fidler, W. H. Sutherland, G. W. Fee, W. I. Fee, J. L. Gregg, M. P. Zink, G. M. Edgar, John Vance, H. M. Keck, R. A. Arthur, W. N. Maxey, J. I. Taggart, S. W. Carey, T. J. Harris, S. W. Edmiston, E. P. James, J. G. Black, J. W. Hickman, J. T. Bail, S. B. Smith, J. P. Shultz, W. P. Jackson, J. R. Hunter, W. M. West.

Adam Miller and J. F. Loyd were granted leave of absence.

**The Thirteenth Question** was resumed, and under this question G. H. Dart, presiding elder of the Georgetown District; T. H. Pearne, presiding elder of the Hillsboro District; and C. W. Barnes, presiding elder of the Springfield District, presented their reports, and the character of each passed. The list of effective elders in these districts was called, and they reported their collections.

On behalf of the ministers of the Hillsboro District, John Wilson, with most felicitous remarks, presented to Dr. Pearne, the retiring presiding elder of the Hillsboro District, a beautiful leather-covered chair. Dr. Pearne made a fitting response.

On motion, J. S. Whitney was granted leave of absence.

The Ordination of Lewis E. Linzell as an elder was consummated, the Bishop being assisted by T. H. Pearne, G. H. Dart, and J. W. Bashford.

J. W. Bashford offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the members of the Cincinnati Conference hereby express their love for Brother L. E. Linzell and his noble wife, their regret that they are to leave the Conference for the present, and their confidence that Brother Linzell's gifts, graces, and usefulness fit him admirably for the position to which Bishop Thoburn has appointed him in India. Should Brother Linzell, in the providence of God, desire to return to us later, we will welcome him heartily to our ranks again.

C. W. BARNES,  
R. H. RUST,  
J. W. BASHFORD.

The name of T. P. Walter was called, and being not present, he was given a supernumerary relation.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to leave H. C. Hutchinson without appointment, to attend one of our schools.

Bishop Andrews presented the following certificates of Ordination for record in the Minutes:

*This Certifies, That on Sunday, the third day of September, A. D. 1899, in the city of Dayton, O., Howard L. Torbet, David G. Latshaw, Edward W. Lutterman, and Samuel A. Keen were ordained DEACONS; and Earl M. Ellsworth, Charles C. Peale, James A. Jenkinson, Clifford L. Myers, Charles L. Chapman, Homer G. Curless, Edward L. Hollingsworth, William D. English, Oliver P. Hoffman, John L. Duckwall, and Lewis A. Washburn were ordained ELDERS, by the undersigned, assisted in the case of Elders by several other Elders.*

*Dayton, O., September 4, 1899.*

*Edward L. Andrews*

*Bishop.*

*This Certifies, That on this day in this place, Lewis E. Linzell was duly ordained ELDER, by the undersigned, assisted by several Elders.*

*Dayton, O., September 5, 1899.*

*Edward L. Andrews*

*Bishop.*

**Transfers.**—Bishop Andrews announced the following transfers: E. P. Edmonds, from the East Ohio Conference; and E. O. Buxton to the East Ohio Conference, and L. E. Linzell to the Bombay Conference.

The following paper was introduced by W. A. Robinson, and adopted:

WHEREAS, Dr. E. O. Buxton, having rounded up a five years' pastorate of most efficient service in Avondale, has been transferred to the East Ohio Conference; and

WHEREAS, He has greatly endeared himself to us by his brotherly fidelity, his stalwart stand for righteousness, his courageous utterances against the crying evils of the day, and the masterly manner in which, in general, he has acquitted himself as a minister of our Lord Jesus Christ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we will follow him with our love and prayers into his new field of labor, and will gladly welcome him back among us, whenever, in the judgment of the Bishop, the exigencies of the work may demand his return.

W. A. ROBINSON,	F. G. MITCHELL,
J. W. PETERS,	J. A. STORY,
G. W. DUBOIS,	C. L. CONGER.

**The Thirtieth Question**—"Where shall the Next Conference be held?"—was taken up. The selection of a place for the next Annual Conference was referred to the presiding elders.

Dr. W. F. Whitlock, being introduced as a representative of the Book Committee, made an appeal for increased collections for the Episcopal Fund, and for General Conference expenses.

A collection for the janitors was ordered, and it was immediately taken, and amounted to \$16.40.

The report of the Deaconess Board of Control was presented by M. M. Kugler, and it was adopted. (See page 561.)

On motion, the time was extended.

Heber D. Ketcham introduced the following paper, which was adopted:

In view of the success of the plan adopted this year for Memorial Service, and believing it suited to the commemoration of our sacred dead, whether they be many or few; be it

*Resolved*, That the Conference hereby establishes a new plan for Memorial Service, to be constituted as follows:

At each session of the Conference, the Bishop, by the recommendation of the Cabinet, shall be requested to appoint one member of the Conference and an alternate to preach the Memorial Sermon the next year. The sermon shall not exceed one-half hour in length, and shall follow the Memoirs, which shall be so timed in proportion to the number of deaths as

to be comprehended within one hour. The entire Memorial exercise will not thus exceed one and a half hours, and shall begin so as to end at the set time for adjournment at the close of the morning session of Monday of the Conference week.

J. A. Story presented the following, and it was adopted:

WHEREAS, J. W. Magruder has been elected to the chair of Sociology in the Ohio Wesleyan University, where his work will give him a broad field in which to furnish the leaders of thought and action in the Church with intelligent principles and methods for applying Christianity to the great activities of our day, we wish to record our deep regret in his loss to the pastorate where he has been so signally successful, and we express our hearty commendations of the wisdom of those selecting him, and bespeak for him the highest success in his new field of labor.

JOHN A. STORY,	W. A. ROBINSON,
C. W. BARNES,	HEBER D. KETCHAM.
V. F. BROWN,	

T. H. Pearne offered the following, and it was adopted:

*Resolved*, 1. That in charges in our Conference where the collections for General Conference expenses have been taken the past year, which came up to the apportionment, we will during the next six months add thereto fifteen (15) per cent, and forward the same to the Book Agents, to meet the increased expense incurred by the anticipated equal representation of laymen and ministers in our Conferences.

2. That in charges which have not taken this collection we will, within the next six months, take such collection, with an addition of fifteen (15) per cent.

3. That when our General Conference expense collections have fallen short of the past apportionment, we will, between this session and March 1, 1900, make up the deficiency, and add thereto the fifteen (15) per cent necessary to our equal and our added expenses for equal ministerial and lay representation in the General Conference.

T. H. PEARNE,  
G. W. DUBOIS.

On motion, it was voted to adjourn to meet at two o'clock, for an afternoon session. William Runyan was requested by the Bishop to preside, in case he should be absent:

After the introduction of Rev. A. C. McCabe, of Christ Episcopal Church, Springfield, O., announcements were made, and the Bishop pronounced the benediction.



#### SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

THE session opened with William Runyan in the chair. Thomas Collett conducted the devotions.

By vote, it was ordered that the Standing Committees be now

called in the reverse of alphabetical order, for the hearing of their reports.

**Baltimore Conference Proposition.**—A Committee, consisting of S. B. Smith, F. G. Mitchell, and J. P. Porter, was appointed to consider the proposition of the Baltimore Conference pertaining to a Constitutional change. (For final action, see page 495.)

D. J. Starr offered a paper on the Society for the Suppression of Vice, and it was adopted.

Bishop Weaver, of the United Brethren Church, and Rev. H. H. Fout, of the Dayton District of the same Church, were introduced.

R. E. Smith presented and read the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance and Prohibition, and it was adopted. (See page 576.)

Howard Henderson read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and it was adopted. (See page 573.)

Chaplain Leight, of the National Soldiers' Home, was introduced.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance offered its report, which was read by H. W. Bailey, and adopted. (See page 573.)

L. M. Davis presented the report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts. J. W. Bashford offered an amendment, which was accepted by the Committee, and the report as a whole was adopted. (See page 571.)

J. W. Bashford read the second report of the Commission on Conference Boundaries, and it was adopted, as follows:

WHEREAS, We are of the opinion that it would increase the efficiency of our Church if the number of Conferences in Ohio were reduced from five to four; and

WHEREAS, We have already appointed a Commission to represent this Conference in the readjustment of our boundary-lines; therefore,

*Resolved*, That our Secretary be instructed to give notice of this action to the Ohio, the Central Ohio, the East Ohio, and the North Ohio Conferences, and request them to appoint similar Commissions, who may proceed under paragraph 436 of our Discipline.

*Resolved*, That our Commission on Boundaries is hereby authorized to meet and to proceed, under the provisions of paragraph 436, with any other Commission or Commissions that may be appointed to act with them.

*Resolved*, That in any readjustment of the boundaries of any of the Conferences in Ohio the territory of this Conference should at least be so enlarged as to include a church in Delaware.

FRANK G. MITCHELL,  
J. F. MARLAY,  
J. W. BASHFORD,

JOHN PEARSON,  
J. P. PORTER.

The report of the Committee on Missions was presented by L. E. Prentiss, and, on motion, it was adopted. (See page 568.)

M. E. Ketcham offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

The Cincinnati Conference congratulates itself that one of its members, A. B. Leonard, D. D., has been chosen thrice by the General Conference as Missionary Secretary. We contemplate, with great satisfaction, his very able administration of his office; and, since he is forbidden attendance upon this session of the Conference, and is bowed with grief on account of the death of his beloved wife, we wish to assure him that he has a large place in our affections and in our prayers, and that we will use all diligence to furnish our proportion of the Missionary Appropriation, and thus relieve his anxiety and gladden his heart and the heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose work it is.

DAVIS W. CLARK,	J. P. PORTER,
FRANK G. MITCHELL,	M. E. KETCHAM,
J. W. PETERS,	V. F. BROWN.

Bishop Weaver was then invited to address the Conference, which he did in a most happy vein.

F. M. Clemans read the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, and it was adopted. (See page 568.)

The Committee on Epworth League reported through its Secretary, J. A. Easton, and, after extended discussion, the report was recommitted for further consideration.

A paper introduced by Dr. Henderson was also referred to the Committee on Epworth League.

The report of the Committee on Deaconess Work was read by J. W. Gaddis, and it was adopted. (See page 558.)

The Committee on Epworth League returned, and the report was read by J. A. Easton. Pending its consideration a motion to adjourn to half-past seven to-night was adopted, and J. W. Bashford pronounced the benediction.



#### SIXTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

AT half-past seven o'clock this evening Bishop Andrews called the Conference to order. After the hymn,

"A charge to keep I have,"

was sung, S. B. Smith offered prayer.

The journal of the morning and of the afternoon sessions was read and approved.



At their own request, C. W. Barnes and J. W. Magruder were excused from the Board of Conference Examiners, and the Bishop nominated in their stead C. M. Van Pelt, M. B. Fuller, and George V. Morris, which nomination was confirmed.

The report of the Committee on the Epworth League, under consideration at the adjournment of the last session, was taken up. An amendment offered by J. W. Bashford for the part referring to the General Secretary was accepted, and the report was adopted. (See page 567.)

The report of the Committee on Education was read by H. D. Ketcham, and was adopted, item by item, and as a whole. (See page 563.)

On motion of J. W. Bashford, the Secretary of the Conference was requested to forward to Mrs. C. H. Payne a letter of sympathy in her bereavement; and, by rising vote, the Conference also expressed its thanks to Bishop Andrews for his beautiful tribute to Dr. C. H. Payne at the Memorial Service.

On motion of H. D. Ketcham, the trustees of Hillsboro College were granted power to fill vacancies in the Board in case any shall occur.

The report of the Committee on the American Bible Society was read by John Wilson, and it was adopted. (See page 556.)

The report of the Temperance Committee was read by R. K. Deem, and it was adopted. (See page 576.)

H. A. M. Henderson read a spicy report of the Committee on National Affairs, and it was adopted. (See page 569.)

The Committee appointed last year to consider the reduction of representation to the General Conference, offered their report through J. W. Bashford, and it was read and adopted, as follows:

Your Committee on Reduction of Membership of the General Conference, begs leave to report:

We recommend (1) The adoption of a Memorial by the Cincinnati Conference requesting the General Conference to appoint a Commission to devise a plan, to be adopted later, for the reduction of the membership of that body. We recommend (2) The adoption by this Conference of a resolution expressing the conviction that the representation in the General Conference should be based upon the total membership of the Churches embraced in the Annual Conferences rather than upon the membership of the Annual Conference.

R. H. RUST,	S. O. ROYAL,
FRANK G. MITCHELL,	J. A. STORY,
J. W. MAGRUDER,	J. W. BASHFORD.

Together with the adoption of this report, it was voted that this report be considered a Memorial from this Conference to the General Conference upon the subject named.

The Board of Conference Trustees presented their list of officers, and they were approved. (See page 463.)

The Committee on Church Extension was granted the privilege of printing their report without reading. (See page 557.)

J. P. Ninde read the report of the Committee on Sunday-schools, and the report was adopted. (See page 575.)

The Special Committee appointed to consider the proposition from the Baltimore Conference, reported as follows :

*Resolved*, 1. That we express our hearty sympathy with the purpose of the proposal which we have received from our brethren of the Baltimore Conference.

*Resolved*, 2. That inasmuch as the proposition would not require any change in our Constitution, it gives us nothing to vote upon, and the Cincinnati Conference therefore declines to vote upon it.

The Committee appointed to consider the proposition of the North Ohio Conference for a Home for Orphans of Methodist Parentage presented the following, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That we comply with the request from the North Ohio Conference looking towards the founding of a Methodist Orphans' Home in this State ; also, that the Committee appointed by this Conference become the Standing Committee, and that H. C. Weakley be added as Visitor to other Conferences.

J. W. GADDIS,	H. W. BAILEY,
J. A. STORY,	JOHN WILSON.
C. W. GULLETTE,	

The report of the Committee on the Charles Wesley Brotherhood was read by W. A. Robinson, and it was adopted. (See page 582.)

The Auditing Committee presented a report by W. J. Dunham, and it was adopted. (See page 556.)

John Pearson, as Treasurer of the Publishing Committee, presented his final report, which showed a balance of \$392.26 in hand, which balance he turned over to the Publishing Committee. The Conference returned a vote of thanks to Dr. Pearson for his services.

The report of the Tract Committee was read by I. R. Marshall, and it was adopted. (See page 577.)

**The Fourth Question**—"Who have been Received on Trial?"—was taken up. The Committee on Recommendations pre-

sented the name of Charles P. Pumphrey, who was recommended by the Yellow Springs Quarterly Conference, and he was admitted on trial.

A collection for Conference expenses was ordered and immediately taken. The total expense being \$48.35, and the collection amounting to only \$21.41, the Treasurer of the Publishing Committee was directed to make up the balance from that fund.

On motion of M. E. Ketcham, T. H. Pearne, J. F. Marlay, and W. H. Wehrly were elected Directors of the Conference Historical Society for the term of three years.

George W. Dubois presented the following paper, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Rev. George M. Hammell has been called to an honorable position in the Faculty of the American Temperance University at Harri-man, Tenn.; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we highly appreciate the scholarly work he has done as a member of the editorial staff of the *Western Christian Advocate*, and the courageous stand he has taken for civic reform in the city of his residence. We rejoice in this recent and well-merited honor conferred upon him, and heartily wish him all possible success in his new field of labor.

G. W. DUBOIS,	C. L. CONGER,
FRANK G. MITCHELL,	J. A. EASTON,
J. W. BASHFORD,	P. C. CURNICK.
V. F. BROWN,	

The Bishop presented the following nominations:

*To Preach the Missionary Sermon*—C. E. Schenk; alternate, M. B. Fuller.

*Triers of Appeals*—W. H. Wehrly, J. J. McCabe, H. W. Bailey, M. LeSourd, John A. Story, E. T. Wells, E. H. Cherington.

*To Preach Memorial Sermon*—H. D. Ketcham; alternate, J. A. Story.

For Boards of Church Extension and Church Location, see page 465.

The Secretary presented a letter from Bishop J. M. Walden to the Conference. On account of the lateness of its arrival, on motion, it was referred to the *Western Christian Advocate*, with a request for its publication.

A letter of greeting from Dr. George K. Morris was also read.

On motion of F. G. Mitchell, it was decided to omit the Detailed Missionary Report from the Minutes next year.

**The Second Question**—"Who have been Readmitted?"—was taken up. On motion of R. H. Rust, Madison A. Richards was readmitted to this Conference on certificate of location from New Hampshire Conference, given in the year 1890. By vote, he was given a supernumerary relation.

E. S. Gaddis, from the Epworth Heights Camp-meeting Association, invited the Conference to hold its next year's session at that place.

On motion, it was ordered that we return thanks to the Association for its invitation, and leave the selection of place with the presiding elders.

On motion, the Secretary was given authority to edit the various reports for publication in the Conference Minutes.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by the Secretary, and it was adopted. (See page 572.)

The journal of the present session was read and approved.

On motion of J. F. Marlay, the Conference resolved to adjourn *sine die* after prayer and reading of the Appointments. After leading the congregation in prayer, Bishop Andrews read the Appointments, and, after the singing of the Doxology, he pronounced the benediction.

## SPECIAL SERVICES.

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### TUESDAY, AUGUST 29th.

- 7.30 P. M.—Annual Missionary Sermon, Rev. C. M. Van Pelt, Xenia, Ohio.
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### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30th.

- 3.00 P. M. — Consecration of Deaconesses. Address: Rev. C. J. Little, D. D., Evanston, Ill. Consecration by Bishop E. G. Andrews, assisted by Bishop J. M. Thoburn, D. D.
- 7.30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society. Address: Rev. M. C. B. Mason, D. D.
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### THURSDAY, AUGUST 31st.

- 11.00 A. M. — Excursion to the Methodist Old People's Home, Yellow Springs, O. Lunch was served on the grounds, after which short addresses were made by Bishop E. G. Andrews, D. D., LL. D., Rev. D. H. Moore, D. D., LL. D., Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., and Bishop J. M. Thoburn, D. D.
- 2.00 P. M.—Anniversary of Woman's Home Missionary Society. Address: Miss Henrietta Bancroft, Washington, D. C.
- 7.30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Educational Society. Addresses: Rev. J. W. Bashford, D. D., and Rev. J. M. Thoburn, D. D.
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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st.

- 1.30 P. M.—Conference visited the Lay Electoral Conference meeting in Memorial Presbyterian Church. Addresses were made by Bishop Andrews, D. D., LL. D., Judge W. R. Warnock, Urbana, O., Bishop J. M. Thoburn, D. D.
- 2.00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Addresses: Miss Isabelle Thoburn and Miss Singh, of Woman's College, Lucknow, India.
- 7.30 P. M.—Anniversary of Church Extension Society. Address: Rev. James M. King, D. D., LL. D.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2d.

- 2.00 P. M.—Anniversary of Conference Historical Society. Addresses: Rev. T. H. Pearne, D. D., Rev. E. M. Mills, D. D., Rev. J. M. King, D. D., LL. D.
- 7.30 P. M.—Tithing Service. Addresses: Rev. J. W. Magruder, Rev. Gervaise Roughton, Rev. J. W. Bashford, D. D.
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3d.

- 9.00 A. M.—Conference Love-feast, led by Rev. A. N. Spahr.
- 10.30 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop E. G. Andrews, D. D., LL. D.
- 3.00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. M. Mills, D. D. Ordination of Deacons and Elders, by Bishop E. G. Andrews, D. D., LL. D.
- 6.00 P. M.—Young People's Mass-meeting. Address: Rev. Joseph H. Smith.
- 7.30 P. M.—Anniversary of Missionary Society. Addresses: Rev. A. J. Palmer, D. D., and Bishop J. M. Thoburn, D. D.
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th.

- 10.30 A. M.—Memorial Service. Sermon by Rev. J. P. Porter, D. D.
- 4.00 P. M.—Meeting of Preachers' Wives at the Linden Avenue Baptist Church.
- 7.30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Conference Temperance Society. Addresses: Mrs. M. M. Pentoney, Dayton, O.; Rev. J. C. Jackson, D. D., Columbus, O.; Rev. Stanley O. Royal.

DAILY.—Evangelistic Services, under direction of Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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1. *Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?*  
Eugene P. Edmonds, from East Ohio Conference; *David G. Latshaw*, probationer, from Erie Conference, in studies of third year.
2. *Who have been readmitted?*  
Madison A. Richards. Located, New Hampshire Conference, 1890.
3. *Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?*  
None.
4. *Who have been Received on Trial?*  
(a) IN STUDIES OF FIRST YEAR.—*Charles P. Pumphrey*.  
(b) IN STUDIES OF THIRD YEAR.—*Samuel A. Keen*.
5. *Who have been Continued on Trial?*  
(a) IN STUDIES OF FIRST YEAR.—None.  
(b) IN STUDIES OF SECOND YEAR.—*Sheridan W. Bell, Louis A. Washburn*.  
(c) IN STUDIES OF THIRD YEAR.—*Samuel A. Stephan, David G. Latshaw*.  
(d) IN STUDIES OF FOURTH YEAR.—*Wm. L. Spence*.
6. *Who have been Discontinued?*  
None.
7. *Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?*  
(a) ELECTED AND ORDAINED DEACONS THIS YEAR.—*Howard L. Torbet*.  
(b) ELECTED AND ORDAINED DEACONS PREVIOUSLY.—*Henry C. Hutchinson, Warren J. Dunham, Oliver P. Hoffman, John L. Duckwall*.
8. *What Members are in Studies of Third Year?*  
(a) ADMITTED INTO FULL MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR.—*Howard L. Torbet, Henry C. Hutchinson*.  
(b) ADMITTED INTO FULL MEMBERSHIP PREVIOUSLY.—None.
9. *What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?*  
*Oliver P. Hoffman, Harley E. Armacost, John L. Duckwall, Jas. A. Geissinger, Warren J. Dunham, Archie W. Hook*.
10. *What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?*  
(a) ELECTED AND ORDAINED ELDERS THIS YEAR.—*Homer D. Curless, Edward L. Hollingsworth, William D. English, Charles L. Chapman, Earl M. Ellsworth, James A. Jenkinson, Clifford L. Myers, Charles C. Peale*.  
(b) ELECTED AND ORDAINED ELDERS PREVIOUSLY.—*Stephen B. Timmons*.

11. *What Others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?*

(a) AS LOCAL PREACHERS.—Edward W. Lutterman, Adna W. Leonard (elected, but not present for ordination), Samuel A. Keen.

(b) UNDER MISSIONARY RULE.—None.

12. *What Others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?*

(a) AS LOCAL DEACONS.—Oliver P. Hoffman, John L. Duckwall, Louis A. Washburn.

(b) UNDER MISSIONARY RULE.—Lewis E. Linzell.

13. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

It was, in open Conference.

14. *Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

E. O. Buxton, to the East Ohio Conference; L. E. Linzell, to the Bombay Conference.

15. *Who have Died?*

Patrick Carland, Michael Kauffman, W. Q. Shannon, J. W. Cassatt, F. W. Hypes, S. D. Clayton, C. H. Payne, W. B. Moler.

16. *Who have been Located at their Own Request?*

None.

17. *Who have been Located?*

None.

18. *Who have Withdrawn?*

None.

19. *Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?*

Frank E. Vance.

20. *Who have been Expelled?*

None.

21. *What other Personal Notation should be made?*

None.

22. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

Sylvester Weeks, Chas. Hartley, W. G. Warner, C. J. Wells, J. L. Glascock, Jonathan Verity, M. A. Richards, T. P. Walter.

23. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

L. F. Young, J. H. Middleton, J. F. Loyd, W. T. McMullen, Adam Miller, A. M. Griffith, J. F. Hull, S. N. Marsh, T. E. Fidler, W. H. Sutherland, G. W. Fee, W. I. Fee, J. L. Gregg, M. P. Zink, G. M. Edgar, John Vance, H. M. Keck, R. A. Arthur, W. N. Maxey, J. I. Taggart, S. W. Carey, Thomas J. Harris, S. W. Edmiston, E. P. James, J. G. Black, J. W. Hickman, J. T. Bail, S. B. Smith, J. P. Shultz, W. M. West, William P. Jackson, J. R. Hunter, D. C. Vance, Adam Bowers, L. O. Deputy.

24. *Who are the Triers of Appeals?*

W. H. Wehrly, J. J. McCabe, H. W. Bailey, M. LeSourd, J. A. Story, E. T. Wells, E. H. Cherington.



**25.** *What is the Statistical Report for this Year?*

Membership, 51,268; decrease, 156. Probationers, 1,849; decrease, 202.  
(See Statistical Table.)

**26.** *What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?*

\$27,380.73.

**27.** *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*

\$11,509.

**28.** *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*

\$6,730. (See Steward's Report, page 534.)

**29.** *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

(See List of Appointments, page 505.)

**30.** *Where shall the Next Conference be held?*

The Presiding Elders will determine.

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# APPOINTMENTS.

N. B.—Post-office, when different from appointment, inserted in parentheses. 2. In appointments where there are two names, the first is the post-office. 3. Supplies in brackets. 4. Numerals at right hand indicate the years of service entered upon. 5. Names of undergraduates in *Italics*.

## CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

1. R. H. RUST, Presiding Elder, 6.  
P. O., Avondale, Cincinnati, O.
2. Bond Hill and Pleasant Ridge,—  
J. P. Ninde, 1.
3. Carthage and Elmwood Place,—  
S. G. Pollard, 2.

## CINCINNATI:

4. Asbury, . . . W. H. Spybey, 2.
5. Avondale, . . . E. P. Edmonds, 1.
6. Christie, . . . J. R. Colley, 4.
7. Clifton, . . . G. V. Morris, 1.
8. Columbia, . . . D. W. Clark, 1.
9. Cumminsville,—  
William Runyan, 3.
10. Delta Ave., . . . D. J. Starr, 4.
11. E. Pearl Street, . [J. T. Bail,] 2.
12. Fairmount, . . F. M. Kirgan, 2.
13. Finley, . . . I. R. Marshall, 1.
14. Hopple Street, . C. T. Crum, 3.
15. Linwood, . . . C. L. Myers, 5.
16. McKendree, . . B. D. Hypes, 4.
17. Mt. Auburn, . R. J. Wyckoff, 4.
18. Mt. Lookout, . J. W. Gaddis, 5.
19. Price Hill, . . . S. W. Bell, 2.
20. Riverside, . . . To be Supplied.
21. St. Paul, . . . P. C. Curnick, 3.
22. Trinity, . . W. A. Robinson, 2.  
" Assistant, M. M. Kugler, 1.
23. Walnut Hills, G. W. Dubois, 4.
24. Wesley Chapel,—  
Gervaise Roughton, 3.
25. Westwood, . D. G. Latshaw, 1.
26. York Street, Edw. McHugh, 2.
27. Cleves, . . . . F. C. English, 2.
28. Delhi, . . H. A. M. Henderson, 4.
29. Groesbeck, . . S. B. Timmons, 1.
30. Hartwell, . . . W. H. Wehrly, 4.
31. Harrison, . . . T. D. Moore, 1.
32. Lockland-Wyoming,—  
E. T. Wells, 2.
33. Madisonville, . W. A. Deaton, 1.

## NORWOOD:

34. First Church, W. L. Y. Davis, 5.
35. Grace Church, G. B. Shanor, 1.
36. Winton Place, . . E. Burdsall, 1.
37. R. S. Rust, Honorary Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, member of St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
38. J. W. Bashford, President of Ohio Wesleyan University, member of Walnut Hills (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
39. H. C. Weakley, Corresponding Secretary of the Deaconess Home Association, and President of the Home for the Aged, member of Mt. Auburn (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
40. G. K. Morris, Professor in the Boston School of Theology, member of St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
41. W. K. Brown, Professor Twin Valley College, member of St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
42. Madison Swadener, Superintendent of Union Bethel, member of Trinity (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
43. J. E. Gilbert, General Secretary of American Society of Religious Education, Member of Asbury (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
44. T. H. Pearne, Secretary of Conference Twentieth-century Fund, member of St. Paul (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.
45. George M. Hammell, Professor in the American Temperance University, member of Walnut Hills (Cincinnati) Quarterly Conference.

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

46. J. F. MARIAY, Presiding Elder, 2½  
P. O., Dayton, O.
47. Bethany, . . . C. L. Mackey, 1.
48. Camden and Somerville,—  
C. L. Chapman, 2½
49. Centerville, . . . Philip Trout, 4½
50. Concord, . . [John Harrison,] 1.

## DAYTON:

51. Broadway, Creighton Wones, 2½
52. Grace, . . . C. W. Gullette, 2½
53. Riverdale, . . G. W. Vorhis, 3½
54. Raper, . . . J. J. McCabe, 2½
55. St. Paul, . . J. G. Vaughan, 2½
56. Trinity, . . E. M. Ellsworth, 1½
57. Eaton, . . . L. E. Prentiss, 2½
58. Ebenezer and Homestead Ave.,—  
O. P. Hoffman, 2½
59. Fairhaven, . . J. F. McCollm, 1.
60. Fort Jefferson, . J. A. Winkler, 1.
61. Franklin, . . . A. B. Austin, 1.
62. Germantown, . . H. L. Torbet, 3.
63. Glendale and Port Union,—  
A. T. Cowgill, 1½
64. Gordon, . . . To be Supplied.
65. Hamilton, . . . C. E. Schenk, 1.
66. Lewisburg, . . J. W. Patton, 3.
67. Miamisburg, . . J. E. Abrams, 2½
68. Middletown, . . D. L. Aultman, 3½
69. Monroe, . . Andrew Hamilton, 2½
70. New Paris, . . J. McK. Shultz, 1½
71. Osborn, . . . W. M. Patton, 5.
72. Oxford, . . . J. P. Porter, 4.
73. Red Lion and Merrittstown,—  
Henry Hershey, 1.
74. Seven Mile, . . J. H. Lease, 4½
75. Springboro and Lytle,—  
A. W. Hook, 1.
76. Venice (Ross), . O. D. Becker, 2.
77. Walker and Union,—  
[W. W. Reeves,] 1.
78. West Alexandria, To be Supplied.
79. West Carrollton, A. K. Stabler, 3.
80. West Chester,—  
J. A. Jenkinson, 3.
81. West Elkton, . . [Fee Naylor,] 1.

82. T. Collett, Financial Agent  
Preachers' Relief Society,  
member of Middletown Quar-  
terly Conference.

83. John Pearson, Field Agent of  
American Bible Society for  
Ohio, Michigan, and West Vir-  
ginia; member of Grace (Day-  
ton) Quarterly Conference.

84. F. M. Clemans, Agent Anti-sa-  
loon League, member of Broad-  
way (Dayton) Quarterly Con-  
ference.

## GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

85. G. H. DART, Presiding Elder, 5½  
P. O., Milford, O.
86. Aberdeen, . H. E. Armacost, 1½
87. Amelia, . . . A. L. Brokaw, 3½
88. Batavia, . . . H. W. Bailey, 3½
89. Bethel, . . . A. G. Newton, 4½
90. Butlerville (Pleasant Plains),—  
To be Supplied.
91. Centenary (Mulberry),—  
To be Supplied.
92. Chilo, . . . [W. E. Shiver,] 1½
93. Decatur, . . . To be Supplied.
94. Feesburg, . . . C. H. Kalbfus, 2½
95. Felicity, . . . W. J. Dunham, 1½
96. Georgetown, . . C. W. Horn, 1½
97. Goshen, . . . J. H. McNary, 2½
98. Laurel, . . . T. G. Williams, 1½
99. Lebanon, . . . J. L. Shively, 1½
100. Loveland, . . . E. S. Gaddis, 5½
101. Maineville, . . G. M. Fulton, 2½
102. Manchester, . . W. J. Baker, 2½
103. Marathon, . . . W. S. Gray, 3.
104. Mason, . . . W. A. Wiant, 3.
105. Milford, . . . J. W. Mason, 3½
106. Montgomery,—  
To be Supplied.
107. Morrow, . . . W. E. Putt, 2.
108. Moscow, . . . J. D. Darling, 5.
109. Mount Washington,—  
To be Supplied.
110. New Richmond, . J. E. Beery, 2.
111. Newtown, . . . L. M. Davis, 3.
112. Owensville, . . . I. E. Price, 3.
113. Ripley, . . . J. A. Geissinger, 1.
114. S. Lebanon, . . J. S. Whitney, 2.
115. Summerside, W. E. Spurrier, 4½

116. West Union, . . G. S. Easton, 2.  
117. Williamsburg, . . E. T. Lane, 2.  
118. Williamsburg Circuit,—  
    *L. A. Washburn, 1.*

**HILLSBORO DISTRICT.**

119. V. F. BROWN, Presiding Elder, 1.  
    P. O., Hillsboro, O.  
120. Belfast (Bell), Thomas Cundy, 1.  
121. Blanchester, . . C. H. Haines, 2.  
122. Bowersville, . . . C. C. Peale, 4.  
123. Clarksville, . . J. S. Ruggles, 2.  
124. Dunkinsville, . To be Supplied.  
125. Fincastle, . . . To be Supplied.  
126. Greenfield, . . F. G. Mitchell, 3.  
127. Highland, . J. E. H. Sentman, 5.  
128. Hillsboro, . Marion LeSourd, 3.  
129. Hillsboro Cir., . [E. P. James,] 1.  
130. Jamestown, U. G. Humphrey, 2.  
131. Leesburg, . . H. C. Middleton, 4.  
132. Lynchburg, . . R. E. Smith, 3.  
133. Martinsville, . W. B. Brown, 1.  
134. Mount Orab, . . D. S. Ewry, 2.  
135. New Burlington, R. K. Deem, 2.  
136. New Jasper, . . C. W. Briggs, 3.  
137. New Vienna, . . John Wilson, 3.  
138. Peebles, . . . W. D. English, 1.  
139. Rainsboro, . . H. G. Curless, 2.  
140. Sabina, . . . . G. P. Austin, 4.  
141. Sinking Spring, . J. H. Davis, 1.  
142. Sugar Tree Ridge,—  
    D. A. McColm, 1.

143. Union (Spring Valley),—  
    J. A. White, 3.  
144. Waynesville, W. M. Coffman, 1.  
145. Wilmington, . . C. F. Enyart, 1.  
146. Winchester, . . . G. H. Smith, 2.

**XENIA:**

147. First Church, A. C. Turrell, 2.  
148. Trinity, . . M. E. Ketcham, 1.

**SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.**

149. C. W. BARNES, Pres. Elder, 2.  
    P. O., Springfield, O.  
150. Arcanum, . . . . J. R. Hill, 1.  
151. Brandt,—  
    E. L. Hollingsworth, 2.  
152. Catawba, . . S. W. Campbell, 4.  
153. Cedarville, . . A. D. Maddox, 3.

154. Christiansburg, . J. F. Laird, 1.  
155. Covington, . . . G. L. Travis, 2.  
156. Dalton, . . . R. S. McColm, 3.  
157. Greenville, . . C. L. Conger, 5.  
158. King's Creek, . W. L. Spence, 1.  
159. Mechanicsburg, A. N. Spahr, 2.  
160. Mutual, . . . . J. L. Dalbey, 3.  
161. New Carlisle, . . G. L. Tufts, 1.  
162. New Moorefield,—

D. W. C. Washburn, 1.

**PIQUA:**

163. Grace, . . . . O. M. Sellers, 1.  
164. Greene St., H. D. Ketcham, 3.  
165. South Charleston,—  
    J. S. Pumphrey, 2.  
166. South Charleston Circuit,—  
    C. P. Pumphrey, 1.

**SPRINGFIELD:**

167. Central, . . C. M. Van Pelt, 1.  
168. Clifton Ave., C. D. Munsey, 3.  
169. Grace, . . . J. L. Duckwall, 1.  
170. High Street, . . J. A. Story, 5.  
171. St. Paul, . . . J. W. Peters, 1.  
172. Tippecanoe City, J. A. Easton, 1.  
173. Tremont City (Westville),—  
    Frank Leever, 3.  
174. Troy, . . . . . S. O. Royal, 5.  
175. Troy Circuit, . . S. A. Keen, 1.

**URBANA:**

176. First Church, M. B. Fuller, 4.  
177. Grace, . E. H. Cherington, 2.  
178. Yellow Springs, C. W. Elliott, 2.  
179. A. B. Leonard, Corresponding  
    Secretary Missionary Society,  
    member of Greene Street  
    (Piqua) Quarterly Conference.  
180. C. W. Rishell, Professor in Bos-  
    ton School of Theology, mem-  
    ber of Central Church (Spring-  
    field) Quarterly Conference.  
181. J. W. Magruder, Professor in  
    Ohio Wesleyan University,  
    member of Hopple Street  
    (Cincinnati) Quarterly Con-  
    ference.  
182. S. A. Stephan (Butlerville Quar-  
    terly Conference), and H. C.  
    Hutchinson (West Chester  
    Quarterly Conference), left  
    without appointments to at-  
    tend some one of our schools.

### SUPERNUMERARY PREACHERS.

N. B.—Figures after the names indicate the number of years of effective service.

Jonathan Verity, 30, . . . San Diego, Cal.  
 Sylvester Weeks, 37, . . . Eustis, Fla.; Winton Place Quarterly Conference.  
 Charles Hartley, 7, . . . Coaldale, Ohio.  
 Charles J. Wells, 25, . . . Norfolk, Va.  
 W. G. Warner, 12, . . . Oxford Quarterly Conference.  
 J. L. Glascock, 11, . . . Mt. Lookout Quarterly Conference.  
 Madison A. Richards, 24, . Walnut Hills Quarterly Conference.  
 Thomas P. Walter.

### SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

R. A. Arthur, 26, . . . Addison, West Va.  
 W. N. Maxey, 9, . . . Lynchburg Quarterly Conference.  
 J. I. Taggart, 5, . . . Rainsboro Quarterly Conference.  
 W. T. McMullen, 15, . . . Owensville Quarterly Conference.  
 Adam Miller, 18, . . . Clark Street, Chicago, Ill.  
 A. M. Griffith, 19, . . . Sabina Quarterly Conference.  
 S. N. Marsh, 13, . . . San Fernando, Cal.  
 J. F. Hull, 17, . . . Rowland, Ala.  
 T. E. Fidler, 30, . . . Grace, Urbana, Quarterly Conference.  
 J. G. Black, 37, . . . New Carlisle Quarterly Conference.  
 H. M. Keck, 32, . . . Hamilton Quarterly Conference.  
 M. P. Zink, 40, . . . Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.  
 G. M. Edgar, 34, . . . Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.  
 George W. Fee, 28, . . . Mt. Orab Quarterly Conference.  
 John L. Gregg, 30, . . . Manhattan, Kan.  
 John Vance, 35, . . . New Moorefield Quarterly Conference.  
 S. W. Carey, 19, . . . Grace, Urbana, Quarterly Conference.  
 Thomas J. Harris, 29, . . . Norwood Quarterly Conference.  
 J. H. Middleton, 36, . . . Greenfield Quarterly Conference.  
 J. F. Loyd, 44, . . . Delaware, O.  
 S. W. Edmiston, 33, . . . Winchester Quarterly Conference.  
 E. P. James, 38, . . . Delaware, O., William St. Quarterly Conference.  
 W. H. Sutherland, 55, . . . Wyoming, O.  
 J. W. Hickman, 13, . . . Pursley, W. Va.  
 L. F. Young, 23, . . . Georgetown Quarterly Conference.  
 J. T. Bail, 49, . . . Norwood Quarterly Conference.  
 S. B. Smith, 45, . . . 44 Madison St., Grand Rapids, Michigan.  
 J. P. Shultz, 40, . . . New Carlisle Quarterly Conference.  
 W. P. Jackson, 33, . . . Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.  
 William I. Fee, 55, . . . Greene Street, Piqua, Quarterly Conference.  
 W. N. West, 27, . . . Newtown Quarterly Conference.  
 J. R. Hunter, 29, . . . Lebanon Quarterly Conference.  
 D. C. Vance, 35, . . . 2918 East Fifth Street, Dayton, O.  
 L. O. Deputy, 18.  
 Adam Bowers, 29, . . . Greene Street, Piqua Quarterly Conference.

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## Directory.

### BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

NAME.	BORN.	ENT'D MINISTRY.		Consecrated Bishop.	RESIDENCE.
		Conference.	Y'r		
THOMAS BOWMAN.....	July 15, 1817	Baltimore.....	1839	1872	Evanston, Ill.
RANDOLPH SINKS FOSTER.....	Feb. 25, 1820	Ohio.....	1837	1872	Roxbury, Mass.
STEPHEN MASON MERRILL.....	Sept. 16, 1825	Ohio.....	1846	1872	Chicago, Ill.
EDWARD GAYER ANDREWS.....	Aug. 7, 1825	Oneida.....	1848	1872	New York, N. Y.
HENRY WHITE WARREN.....	Jan. 4, 1831	New England.....	1855	1880	Denver, Colo.
CYRUS DAVID FOSS.....	Jan. 17, 1834	New York.....	1857	1880	Philadelphia, Pa.
JOHN FLETCHER HURST.....	Aug. 17, 1834	Newark.....	1859	1880	Washington, D. C.
WILLIAM XAVIER NINDE.....	June 21, 1832	Black River.....	1856	1884	Detroit, Mich.
JOHN MORGAN WALDEN.....	Feb. 11, 1831	Cincinnati.....	1858	1884	Cincinnati, O.
WILLARD FRANCIS MALLALIEU.....	Dec. 11, 1828	New England.....	1858	1884	Auburndale, Mass.
CHARLES HENRY FOWLER.....	Aug. 11, 1837	Rock River.....	1861	1884	Buffalo, N. Y.
* WILLIAM TAYLOR.....	May 2, 1821	Baltimore.....	1843	1884	Bishop of Africa.
JOHN HEYL VINCENT.....	Feb. 23, 1832	New Jersey.....	1853	1888	Topeka, Kan.
JAMES NEWBURY FITZGERALD.....	July 27, 1837	Newark.....	1862	1888	St. Louis, Mo.
ISAAC WILSON JOYCE.....	Oct. 11, 1836	N. W. Indiana.....	1859	1888	Minneapolis, Minn.
DANIEL AYRES GOODSELL.....	Nov. 5, 1840	N. Y. East.....	1859	1888	Chattanooga, Tenn.
* JAMES MILLS THOBURN.....	Mar. 7, 1836	Pittsburg.....	1858	1888	Bombay, India.
CHARLES C. MCCABE.....	Oct. 11, 1836	Ohio.....	1860	1896	Fort Worth, Tex.
EARL CRANSTON.....	June 27, 1840	Ohio.....	1867	1896	Portland, Ore.
* JOSEPH C. HARTZELL.....	..... 1842	Illinois.....	1867	1896	Africa.

\* Missionary Bishops.

### MEMBERS AND PROBATIONERS.

NOTE.—1. Sa. stands for Superannuated, Sn. for Supernumerary. 2. All post-offices in Ohio except where otherwise stated.

No. of Years Effective..	NAME.	No. in List of Apptm'ts.	P. O. ADDRESS.
10	Abrams, J. E., . . . . .	67	Miamisburg.
26	Arthur, R. A., . . . . .	Sa.	Addison, W. Va.
3	Armacost, H. E., . . . . .	86	Aberdeen.
27	Aultman, D. L., . . . . .	68	Middletown.
13	Austin, A. B., . . . . .	61	Franklin.
16	Austin, G. P., . . . . .	140	Sabina.
49	Bail, J. T., . . . . .	Sa.	Norwood, Cin'ti, O.
24	Bailey, H. W., . . . . .	88	Batavia.
25	Baker, W. J., . . . . .	102	Manchester.
18	Barnes, C. W., . . . . .	149	Springfield.
24	Bashford, J. W., . . . . .	38	Delaware.
11	Becker, O. D., . . . . .	76	Ross.
8	Beery, J. E., . . . . .	110	New Richmond.
1	Bell, S. W., . . . . .	19	Cincinnati. — <i>Deceased</i>
38	Black, J. G., . . . . .	Sa.	New Carlisle.
29	Bowers, A., . . . . .	Sa.	Piqua.
12	Briggs, C. W., . . . . .	136	New Jasper.
7	Brokaw, A. L., . . . . .	87	Amelia.

No of Years Effective . .	NAME.	No. in List of Appointm'ts.	P. O. ADDRESS.
20	✓ Brown, V. F., . . . . .	119	Hillsboro.
43	Brown, W. K., . . . . .	41	Cincinnati.
12	Brown, Wm. B., . . . . .	133	Martinsville.
30	Burdsall, E., . . . . .	36	Winton Place.
13	Campbell, S. W., . . . . .	152	Catawba.
19	Carey, S. W., . . . . .	Sa.	Urbana.
4	Chapman, C. L., . . . . .	48	Camden.
17	Cherington, E. H., . . . . .	177	Urbana.
24	Clark, Davis W., . . . . .	22	Cincinnati.
33	Clemans, F. M., . . . . .	84	Dayton.
9	Coffman, W. M., . . . . .	144	Waynesville.
49	Collett, T., . . . . .	82	Middletown.
13	Colley, J. R., . . . . .	6	Wesley Av., Cincinnati.
21	Conger, C. L., . . . . .	157	Greenville.
14	Cowgill, A. T., . . . . .	63	Glendale.
32	Crum, C. T., . . . . .	14	Cincinnati.
25	Cundy, T., . . . . .	120	Belfast.
5	Curless, H. G., . . . . .	139	Rainsboro.
10	Curnick, P. C., . . . . .	21	Cincinnati.
16	Dalbey, J. L., . . . . .	160	Mutual.
8	Darling, J. D., . . . . .	108	Moscow.
43	Dart, G. H., . . . . .	85	Milford.
25	Davis, J. H., . . . . .	141	Sinking Springs.
26	Davis, L. M., . . . . .	111	Newtown.
8	Davis, Wilbur L. Y., . . . . .	34	Norwood, Cincinnati.
8	Deaton, W. A., . . . . .	33	Madisonville.
36	Deem, R. K., . . . . .	135	New Burlington.
19	Deputy, L. O., . . . . .	Sa.	New Paris.
24	Dubois, G. W., . . . . .	23	Walnut Hills, Cincinnati.
2	Duckwall, J. L., . . . . .	169	Springfield.
3	Dunham, W. J., . . . . .	95	Felicity.
19	Easton, G. S., . . . . .	116	West Union.
25	Easton, J. A., . . . . .	172	Tippecanoe City.
34	Edgar, G. M., . . . . .	Sa.	Hillsboro.
33	Edmiston, S. W., . . . . .	Sa.	Winchester.
11	Elliott, C. W., . . . . .	178	Yellow Springs.
4	Ellsworth, E. M., . . . . .	56	Dayton.
6	English, F. C., . . . . .	27	Cleves.
5	English, W. D., . . . . .	138	Peebles.
6	Enyart, C. F., . . . . .	145	Wilmington, O.
8	Ewry, D. S., . . . . .	134	Mt. Orab.
29	Fee, G. W., . . . . .	Sa.	Mt. Orab.
54	Fee, W. I., . . . . .	Sa.	Piqua.
30	Fidler, T. E., . . . . .	Sa.	Urbana.
9	Fuller, M. B., . . . . .	176	Urbana.
15	Fulton, G. M., . . . . .	101	Maineville.
25	Gaddis, J. W., . . . . .	18	Mt. Lookout, Cincinnati.
10	Gaddis, E. S., . . . . .	100	Loveland.
3	Geissinger, J. A., . . . . .	113	Ripley.
29	Gilbert, Jas. E., . . . . .	43	Washington, D. C.
22	Edmonds, E. P., . . . . .	5	Avondale, Cincinnati.
12	Glascok, J. L., . . . . .	Sn.	Mt. Lookout, Cincinnati.
9	Gray, W. S., . . . . .	103	Marathon.
30	Gregg, J. L., . . . . .	Sa.	Manhattan, Kan.

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No. of Years Effective . .	NAME.	No. in List of Appointm'ts.	P. O. ADDRESS.
19	Griffith, A. M., . . . . .	Sa.	Sabina.
22	Gullette, C. W., . . . . .	52	Dayton.
19	Haines, C. H., . . . . .	121	Blanchester.
32	Hamilton, A., . . . . .	69	Monroe.
12	Hammell, Geo. M., . . . . .	45	Harriman, Tenn.
29	Harris, T. J., . . . . .	Sa.	Norwood.
7	Hartley, Chas., . . . . .	Sn.	Coaldale.
41	Henderson, H. A. M., . . . . .	28	Delhi.
11	Hershey, H., . . . . .	73	Red Lion.
13	Hickman, J. W., . . . . .	Sa.	Williamsburg.
9	Hill, J. R., . . . . .	150	Arcanum.
2	Hoffman, O. P., . . . . .	58	Dayton.
5	Hollingsworth, E. L., . . . . .	151	Brandt.
3	Hook, A. W., . . . . .	75	Springboro.
8	Horn, C. W., . . . . .	96	Georgetown.
17	Hull, J. F., . . . . .	Sa.	Rowland, Ala.
9	Humphrey, U. G., . . . . .	130	Jamestown.
29	Hunter, J. R., . . . . .	Sa.	Lebanon.
4	Hutchinson, H. C., . . . . .	182	At School.
20	Hypes, B. D., . . . . .	16	Cincinnati.
33	Jackson, W. P., . . . . .	Sa.	Hillsboro.
38	James, E. P., . . . . .	Sa.	Delaware.
4	Jenkinson, J. A., . . . . .	80	West Chester.
28	Kalbfus, C. H., . . . . .	94	Feesburg.
32	Keck, H. M., . . . . .	Sa.	Hamilton.
15	Ketcham, H. D., . . . . .	164	Piqua.
17	Ketcham, M. E., . . . . .	148	Xenia.
....	Keen, S. A., . . . . .	175	Troy.
19	Kirgan, F. M., . . . . .	12	Fairmount.
22	Kugler, M. M., . . . . .	8	Westwood.
14	Laird, J. F., . . . . .	154	Christiansburg.
20	Lane, E. T., . . . . .	117	Williamsburg.
2	Latshaw, David G., . . . . .	25	Westwood.
41	Lease, J. H., . . . . .	74	Seven Mile.
23	Leever, F., . . . . .	173	Westville.
39	Leonard, A. B., . . . . .	179	150 Fifth Ave., New York.
18	LeSourd, M., . . . . .	128	Hillsboro.
44	Loyd, J. F., . . . . .	Sa.	Delaware.
7	Mackey, C. L., . . . . .	47	Bethany.
10	Magruder, J. W., . . . . .	181	Delaware.
23	Maddox, A. D., . . . . .	153	Cedarville.
49	Marlay, J. F., . . . . .	46	Dayton.
13	Marsh, S. N., . . . . .	Sa.	Montecito, Cal.
8	Marshall, I. R., . . . . .	13	Cincinnati.
43	Mason, John W., . . . . .	105	Milford.
9	Maxey, W. N., . . . . .	Sa.	Russell.
17	McCabe, J. J., . . . . .	54	Dayton.
21	McColm, D. A., . . . . .	142	Hillsboro.
23	McColm, J. F., . . . . .	59	Fair Haven.
10	McColm, R. S., . . . . .	156	Dialton.
43	McHugh, E., . . . . .	26	Cincinnati.
15	McMullen, W. T., . . . . .	Sa.	Owensville.
9	McNary, J. H., . . . . .	97	Goshen.
36	Middleton, H. C., . . . . .	131	Leesburg.



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36	Middleton, J. H., . . . . .	Sa.	Greenfield.
18	Miller, A., . . . . .	Sa.	Chicago, Ill.
32	Mitchell, F. G., . . . . .	126	Greenfield.
11	Moore, T. D., . . . . .	31	Harrison.
39	Morris, G. K., . . . . .	40	Newton, Mass.
9	Morris, G. V., . . . . .	7	Cincinnati.
20	Munsey, C. D., . . . . .	168	Springfield.
4	Myers, C. L., . . . . .	15	Linwood.
12	Newton, A. G., . . . . .	89	Bethel.
10	Ninde, J. P., . . . . .	2	Bond Hill.
6	Patton, J. W., . . . . .	66	Lewisburg.
8	Patton, W. M., . . . . .	71	Osborn.
4	Peale, C. C., . . . . .	122	Bowersville.
56	Pearne, T. H., . . . . .	44	Cincinnati.
34	Pearson, Jno., . . . . .	83	Dayton.
33	Peters, J. W., . . . . .	171	Springfield.
24	Pollard, S. G., . . . . .	3	Carthage.
35	Porter, J. P., . . . . .	72	Oxford.
26	Prentiss, L. E., . . . . .	57	Eaton.
10	Price, I. E., . . . . .	112	Owensville.
...	<i>Pumphrey, Chas. P., . . . . .</i>	166	South Charleston.
36	Pumphrey, J. S., . . . . .	165	South Charleston.
9	Putt, W. E., . . . . .	107	Morrow.
21	Rishell, C. W., . . . . .	180	Newton, Mass.
24	Richards, Madison A., . . . . .	Sn.	Station H., Cincinnati, O.
28	Robinson, W. A., . . . . .	212	Cincinnati.
22	Royal, S. O., . . . . .	174	Troy.
9	Roughton, G., . . . . .	24	Cincinnati.
20	Ruggles, J. S., . . . . .	123	Clarksville.
36	Runyan, Wm., . . . . .	9	Station A, Cincinnati.
30	Rust, R. H., . . . . .	1	Cincinnati.
57	Rust, R. S., . . . . .	37	Cincinnati.
8	Schenk, C. E., . . . . .	65	Hamilton.
12	Sellers, O. M., . . . . .	163	Piqua.
24	Sentman, J. E. H., . . . . .	127	Highland.
4	Shanor, G. B., . . . . .	35	Norwood, Cincinnati.
15	Shively, J. L., . . . . .	99	Lebanon.
39	Shultz, J. McK., . . . . .	70	New Paris.
40	Shultz, J. P., . . . . .	Sa.	New Carlisle.
33	Smith, R. E., . . . . .	132	Lynchburg.
45	Smith, S. B., . . . . .	Sa.	Grand Rapids, Mich.
7	Smith, G. H., . . . . .	146	Winchester.
44	Spahr, A. N., . . . . .	159	Mechanicsburg.
3	<i>Spence, W. L., . . . . .</i>	158	King's Creek.
10	Spurrier, W. E., . . . . .	115	Summerside.
8	Spybey, Wm. H., . . . . .	4	Cincinnati.
6	Stabler, A. K., . . . . .	79	W. Carrollton.
40	Starr, David Judson, . . . . .	10	Cincinnati.
2	<i>Stephan, S. A., . . . . .</i>	182	At School.
22	Story, J. A., . . . . .	170	Springfield.
55	Sutherland, W. H., . . . . .	Sa.	Wyoming.
19	Swadener, M., . . . . .	42	Logansport, Ind.
5	Taggart, J. I., . . . . .	Sa.	Rainsboro.
5	Timmons, S. B., . . . . .	29	Groesbeck.

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32	Travis, G. L., . . . . .	155	Covington.
10	Trout, P., . . . . .	49	Centerville.
15	Tufts, G. L., . . . . .	161	New Carlisle.
9	Turrell, A. C., . . . . .	147	Xenia.
35	Vance, D. C., . . . . .	Sa.	Dayton. O.
35	Vance, John, . . . . .	Sa.	New Moorefield.
9	Van Pelt, C. M., . . . . .	167	Springfield.
17	Vaughan, J. G., . . . . .	55	Dayton.
30	Verity, J., . . . . .	Sn.	San Diego, Cal.
8	Vorhis, G. W., . . . . .	53	Dayton.
11	Walter, T. P., . . . . .	Sn.	
12	Warner, W. G., . . . . .	Sn.	Oxford.
11	Washburn, D. W. C., . . . . .	162	New Moorefield.
1	Washburn, L. A., . . . . .	118	Williamsburg.
22	Weakley, H. C., . . . . .	39	Cincinnati.
38	Weeks, Sylvester, . . . . .	Sn.	Florida.
9	Wehrly, W. H., . . . . .	30	Hartwell.
25	Wells, C. J., . . . . .	Sn.	Norfolk, Va.
32	Wells, E. T., . . . . .	32	Wyoming.
27	West, W. M., . . . . .	Sa.	Branch Hill.
22	White, J. A., . . . . .	143	Spring Valley.
29	Whitney, J. S., . . . . .	114	South Lebanon.
8	Wiant, W. A., . . . . .	104	Mason.
11	Williams, T. G., . . . . .	98	Laurel.
29	Wilson, J., . . . . .	137	New Vienna.
9	Winkler, J. A., . . . . .	60	Ft. Jefferson.
17	Wones, Creighton, . . . . .	51	Dayton.
4	Wyckoff, R. J., . . . . .	17	Mt. Auburn, Cin.
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40	Zink, M. P., . . . . .	Sa.	Hillsboro.

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Supernumerary, . . . . .	8
Effective, . . . . .	161
Total, . . . . .	204

## PROBATIONERS—

First Year, . . . . .	2	Second Year, . . . . .	5
Total, . . . . .	7		

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 Getchell, Zerah, Cincinnati.  
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## IV.

# Reports.

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### A.

## PRESIDING ELDERS.

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### CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

R. H. RUST, Presiding Elder.

THE limited time for the report of the presiding elder makes necessary a brief reference to exceptional matters and the leading features of the work on his district.

During the past year an earnest revival spirit has been general, and as a result there have been many conversions and accessions.

The pastors, after careful consultation with the presiding elder, determined, at the beginning of the year, to hold meetings in their own churches in preference to union services. The wisdom of this decision is evident from the favorable reports from the charges.

The individual pastor and the individual Church, realizing their responsibility and working together, can secure the most satisfactory and permanent results.

There is a growing feeling of the importance of all parts of the minister's work. Emphasis has been laid on preaching, which is one of the most vital and sacred duties. "Preach the Word" is the apostolic injunction, and the specifications which follow are in harmony with this high and holy privilege.

The preacher and the pastor ought to be inseparable. Personal contact in the home is the condition of personal power in the pulpit.

An experimental knowledge of the Bible must be supplemented by an experimental knowledge of the people. "Truth and personality," said Phillips Brooks, "are the elements of a true minister of Jesus Christ." Not scientific, or literary, or philosophical, or metaphysical truth, but revealed truth in all its various inspired richness, beauty, and power, should be our subjects in the pulpit. There never was a time when the demand for manhood in the pulpit was so great as it is to-day. Official authority has lost its hold in these times; but the authority of pure character was never more appreciated and recognized than at present. Truth beating in the heart, shining in the life, and falling from the lips, is vastly different from the same truth expressed in cold, icy formula.

The sculptor can not carve the deathless statue without the pure marble, the painter can not make the canvas immortal without the artistic nature, the poet can not create his moving stanzas without heart and imagination, and the preacher can not be made without Christian manhood. Jesus chose his apostles from his disciples, and made them the founders of the Apostolic Church. No complaint of heresy has been made against any preacher on the Cincinnati District. This does not

imply the absence of a progressive spirit. Many of the brethren are familiar with the best evangelical thought of the age, and the spirit and tendency of modern skepticism, but they have preached the essential truths of the gospel from deep personal convictions unmoved by the unbelief of the present. Scriptural truth is regarded as one thing, its apprehension as another. Biblical interpretation is recognized as a progressive science. The Christian consciousness born of the Holy Spirit is a fundamental doctrine of Methodism, and is constantly gaining a deeper insight into the truths of revelation. Christian experience is not the test of inspired truth, but it verifies in our hearts its satisfying realities. The Higher Life is the best remedy for the Higher Criticism.

The dead line in the ministry is not entirely a question of age. The demand for young men, so general to-day, is partly caused by the failure of the older men to meet the new conditions under which they are placed. There are many qualities that are eagerly sought for that are independent of age. They are always appreciated, and their possessors occupy the leading appointments. Intellectual and spiritual growth, tact, and wisdom in management, energy in the various departments of Church work, and unselfish fidelity, secure their appropriate recognition.

The Methodist ministry has a liability and a possibility. The liability is to use the old material and follow the old methods; the possibility is to rely on new material and be fertile in new methods. Our Church offers to a cultivated and consecrated minister a better opportunity for a long and useful career than any other. Age has advantages over youth, and youth has advantages over age; both have their limitations and compensations. Both have their special sphere and mission in the Church. Each is essential to the other, and each should appreciate and respect the other. True sympathy and fellowship should exist in both, and maintain that unity in diversity which is the condition of the highest success in the service of the Church.

**SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.**—The subject of systematic and proportionate giving is receiving the most thoughtful and prayerful attention among the various Churches. No subject is of more importance in the present condition of our work. The financial problem is a most pressing and serious one. The down-town Churches, with large fields of usefulness, are unable to meet their obligations on account of the lack of means. These Churches, which formerly had members and adherents who were able to give them financial support, have died and removed to the suburbs. Those who have taken their places are largely wage earners who have not the ability to bear the necessary expenses of Churches in such important centers. As a result, expenses have been reduced, and clergymen of sufficient ability and experience have not been secured as pastors, and all the material interests of the Church have suffered. The question arises, What is the remedy under these circumstances? In reply, the answer is twofold: systematic and proportionate giving on the part of the members of these Churches, and of connectional Methodism. The true principle of giving is clearly stated in 1 Cor. xvi, 2: "Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him." And in the Methodist Discipline, in the form of reception to members, "Will you contribute of your earthly substance, according to your ability, to the support of the gospel and the various benevolent enterprises of the Church?" Every member of the Methodist Episcopal Church is under the most sacred obligation to practice systematic and proportionate benevolence. This is a sacred religious duty, and its performance carries with it the highest spiritual blessings, and its violation is the source of spiritual decline. The proportion ought to be more under the gospel than under the law. In the Old Dispensation there was a command, in the New there is a principle, according as God has prospered you and according to your ability, as stated in the Discipline. There should be more liberality under the light

of Calvary than under the lightning of Sinai, more generosity under the sunlight of Christianity than under the twilight of Judaism.

**THE WESTERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.**—Under the experienced and accomplished editorship of Dr. David H. Moore, the Western Christian Advocate maintains its exalted standard of excellence. It stands for all the great interests of the kingdom, and, along with our denominational literature, is as indispensable to the enlightened progress of the Church as the ministry of the Word. Indeed, our Church papers are an integral part of our ministry. Their function is to supplement, encourage, and reinforce the work of our pastors. Our pastors can have no more faithful and efficient assistant constantly at work among their people than the Western Christian Advocate.

**THE CINCINNATI MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**—There has been a confusion of interests in the minds of some of our patrons between the *local* Cincinnati Church Extension Society and the *general* Church Extension Society. The Board of Trustees deemed it of sufficient magnitude to warrant a change of name. The necessary legal steps have been ordered to accomplish the same. In the future the Society will be known as the Cincinnati Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The object of the organization—namely, the supplementing of the Churches in missionary, Church Extension, and Church maintenance work—has not been changed.

The successful progress, during the past ten years, of the Sixth Street Mission, in its original quarters, has put upon the Society an obligation to provide it better accommodation. An effort to meet it was projected and successfully accomplished during the past year. A new mission hall, completely furnished, at a total cost of \$2,200, entirely paid, was dedicated under the name of the Freeman Avenue Mission of the Cincinnati Missionary Society, amidst great rejoicing. The building is erected upon ground leased at a figure that reduces the fixed expenses of that mission to the Society fifty per cent. The cost of the enterprise is in harmony with the theory of the Society, that no new expensive church-buildings are needed in lower Cincinnati at this time.

The mission points at McMicken Avenue, Freeman Avenue, and Madison Avenue (O'Bryonville) are thoroughly organized in every department, and have been satisfactorily conducted during the past year by Revs. L. Olenslayer, W. H. Gilson, and L. P. Hanks.

Danger in the tendency to conserve what has been accomplished, and to rest upon it, aroused the Society to the fact that progress is largely the result of constant experiment, and that thought started it out upon a line of "experimental" mission work. Three experiments were made during this year, resulting in one permanent new mission. The success of the idea is sufficient to warrant a repetition next year.

The gospel wagon has held 44 meetings, in which were gathered, by careful count, 17,645 people. There have been 109 requests for prayer.

The Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home Association has co-operated with the Society during the year as usual. The assistance rendered, especially in the experimental mission work, is highly appreciated.

The records of McMicken Avenue, Freeman Avenue, and Madison Avenue Missions show the following statistics: Membership, full, 227; probationers, 100; total, 327. Number of Sunday-schools, 3. Average attendance of officers and teachers, 36. Average attendance of scholars, 380. Church property: Number of churches, 3; probable net value, \$8,100; paid account building, etc., \$1,600.

**WESLEY CHAPEL AND THE TITHING SYSTEM.**—Wesley Chapel believes in the tithing system as the Divine plan, and has adopted it exclusively. They regard the tithe as the Lord's, and must be brought into his house. The tithe is placed in an envelope without name or any distinguishing mark, without naming amount, and is given as unto the Lord, not even the treasurer of the Church knowing the amount any member may give.



This system has enabled the pastor to devote all his time to the spiritual work of the Church. It has spiritualized the membership, and made them an evangelical Church. It has put into their hands this year more financial means to carry forward the work of Christ in the world than any three preceding years previous to the practice of the tithing system. The membership has increased from 330 to 670, and one-third of the membership are present in class-meeting every week. The work is steadily going forward. No subscriptions are either asked or received for any cause whatever, and no extra collections taken.

The total net gain of the Methodist Episcopal Church in eighty-seven cities, having 1,386 churches, this year over last is one-fifth of one per cent. The total net gain of the entire Methodist Episcopal Church was one and one-fourth per cent. The Cincinnati District has over seven per cent above the general average of increase. There is no decline on the Cincinnati District, but a most encouraging advance.

Christ's Hospital has had a remarkable increase of receipts this year over last. The advance on the work of the Deaconess Home during the last year has been marked. It is gradually realizing the high ideal of its founders, and meeting a pressing need in our city. Its usefulness as a Protestant force is beyond estimate, and the trustees are to be congratulated on the satisfactory work of this institution.

Methodism has the finest hospital within its limits in our city, and one of the best equipped in the land. There is a growing appreciation on the part of our people for this noble charity, and they are manifesting a spirit of co-operation with this worthy institution which is a sure prophecy of larger usefulness in the future.

There was a most gratifying advance in the benevolent collections of the year, and the total aggregate is a source of congratulation.

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## DAYTON DISTRICT.

J. F. MARLAY, Presiding Elder.

THE famous statistician, E. D. Mansfield, used to declare that the old Third Ohio Congressional District embraced the finest body of land for agricultural purposes to be found in any equal area in the world. It is a pleasant coincidence that the Dayton District includes, substantially, the territory thus referred to—Montgomery, Butler, Preble, and Warren Counties; and so it goes without saying, that "the lines are fallen to us in pleasant places." This "Gem City" speaks for itself. With the exception, perhaps, of the National Capital, the handsomest city in our country, it welcomes a Methodist Conference, for the sixth time, to its hearts and homes and churches, and our earnest prayer is that your sojourn among us may be as agreeable to you as it will be pleasant to us.

On my entrance upon the work of this district, a year ago, I found every pastor at his post, all apparently in good health, and with high hopes of large success. If some of these have not been privileged to reap the abundant harvest for which they have prayed and labored, it has not been, I am sure, on account of any lack of fidelity on their part. Ministerial success, indeed, is not to be measured always by mere numerical increase, crowded churches, applauding congregations, and the approval of the religious community; it lies rather in altered lives, and obedient, humbled hearts, unseen work for the most part, to be recognized only at the judgment-seat of Christ.

And yet we have not been without many tokens of the Divine approval. The most notable revival of the year occurred at Camden and Somerville, resulting in one hundred and fifty conversions. These re-

vival services were conducted by the pastor, who was his own evangelist.

St. Paul Church, in which we are assembled, has had a continuous growth during the year. The pastor reports one hundred and twenty-five accessions to the Church. A successful meeting at Broadway resulted in an ingathering of thirty-five. Faithful work was done in all the other congregations of the city, but without any marked increase of membership.

The Dayton Churches, as a whole, were perhaps never in their history more efficiently nor acceptably served than at present.

At Lewisburg, as the result of special revival services, conducted by the pastor, about forty were saved. The Middletown Church has had a most prosperous year, including seventy-five accessions, and the establishment of a prosperous mission Sabbath-school. This Church maintains a free library of 1,500 volumes, to which G. F. Stevens, a prominent Methodist of that city, gives his entire time, without charge, keeping it open daily.

Monroe has been favored, also, with a good work of revival, which has added about forty to its membership. On Venice Circuit a new society has been organized at New Baltimore, with thirty members, and a prospect for a new church in the near future. At West Carrollton the pastor has received about thirty on probation. On the Ebenezer and Homestead Avenue Charge not less than fifty have been hopefully converted. At Franklin thirty were received on probation, most of whom have been admitted to full membership.

In almost every charge the special revival services held were successful in deepening the spiritual life of the Church, stimulating its activities, and promoting peace and harmony.

The year has been one of marked material prosperity. Grace Church, Dayton, is now expending about \$8,000 for a new heating outfit, a practically new pipe-organ, new carpets throughout, the refresco of the auditorium and lecture-room, and the repainting of the woodwork.

Raper Church, at the beginning of the year, greatly improved their parsonage by the addition of a bathroom and furnace, and making it otherwise far more comfortable and attractive than it has ever been. These improvements were made at an outlay of between five and six hundred dollars.

Riverdale has raised and paid, during the year, \$1,353, an average of eleven dollars per member, the highest average, I judge, in the Conference. A new church here will certainly be erected in the near future. Broadway has expended about five hundred dollars enlarging and improving its parsonage. St. Paul Church purchased and paid for a handsome pipe-organ at a cost of \$1,500.

On the Ft. Jefferson work about six hundred and fifty dollars in improvements were put on the New Madison Church, about two hundred on the Jaysville Church, and three hundred and fifty on the parsonage at Ft. Jefferson, making twelve hundred dollars in all. At Germantown six hundred dollars, judiciously expended, have made that church so much brighter and more attractive than ever before, that it is hard to recognize it as the same building. The parsonage of Port Union has been thoroughly repainted, and thereby greatly improved in appearance.

At Lewisburg two thousand dollars have been subscribed to remodel and enlarge and refurnish the church, which will be, when the projected improvements are completed, one of the handsomest churches in the district.

On West Chester Circuit improvements amounting to one hundred and fifty dollars have been put on the church at Sharon, and seventy-five dollars on the church at Tylersville, while at West Chester about one hundred and eighty dollars will be immediately expended in the way of improvements.

At Middletown, besides meeting promptly the interest on their debt, the brethren have paid five hundred and fifty dollars on the principal, and they think that if "the powers that be" do not deprive them of their present leader, the entire debt will be paid within a reasonable time.

The Osborn Church has been greatly improved by a new furnace and new carpet, making it a very attractive place of worship. On the Seven Mile work two hundred and fifty dollars were expended on the church at Seven Mile, and three hundred and twenty on the Darrrtown Church, making both churches on this charge very complete in all their appointments.

At Springboro a handsome sum has been raised by the Ladies' Aid Society to make needed improvements on the church, while at Lytle, in the same charge, a hundred dollars in improvements have been put on what was already a very neat country church.

At Centerville, in addition to the very extensive improvements of the church property made last year, there has been placed in the church, at a cost of five hundred dollars, the most elegant pews, probably, to be found in any church in the district. It is hoped that during the approaching Twentieth-century celebration, and in connection with the proposed thank-offering, a district organization may be effected which will, by some concerted movement, remove the incubus of debt from a number of our churches. The number thus embarrassed is not large, indeed, but in one or two cases, at least, unless speedy relief is found, our cause will be seriously imperiled at important strategic points. What nobler work could enlist the enthusiastic co-operation of our people, and what more truly Christian service could the strong render than helping to bear the burdens of the weak?

The work of the Epworth League has been so successfully conducted, during the past year, that the total membership reported to me exceeds that given last year, by my predecessor, by not less than five hundred. Miss Hattie Shultz, the district president, has shown great tact and skill in the discharge of her official duties, and the several district and sub-district Conventions held have been largely attended and full of enthusiasm. I have only words of warmest sympathy and commendation for this alert, splendid body of Christian workers.

I have made a special effort, during the year, to visit as many Sabbath-schools as possible, especially in the rural portions of the district. We have an army of about ten thousand children and young people enrolled in these Bible schools, officered by a thousand men and women who nobly give themselves to this unselfish work. There is, I doubt not, more intelligent and thorough study of the Sunday-school lessons than ever before, and yet I notice everywhere a very general absence of the Book itself, for which the lesson-leaf is largely substituted, and even this is not always the best in the market. The penny-wise policy of giving preference to inferior helps, because they are supposed to be cheaper, still prevails to some extent, and the splendid publications of our own publishing houses are thus crowded out. Pastors may not be able, in all cases, to control these matters, but they should seek to reduce the evil to the minimum, if they can not entirely remove it.

The benevolent collections have been given due prominence, I think, in most of the charges, and in some cases a very handsome increase will be reported, while in no case, I trust, will the collections fall below those of last year. Some of the pastors are urging the duty of tithing, or proportionate giving, and are themselves practicing what they preach on this subject, and, invariably, with good results. The systematic and persistent education of our people in the matter of Christian stewardship and proportionate giving, according to the Scripture plan, so ably urged a year ago by the Committee on the State of the Church, is one of the paramount pressing duties of the hour.

In the matter of ministerial support I am happy to report some im-

provement. In several charges salaries have been advanced, St. Paul Church, Dayton, holding the lead in this respect. In some of the charges, however, there will be deficiencies, in some instances large enough to cause real suffering. In every case where these deficiencies exist, an earnest, persistent effort, on the part of those who are charged with the duty, would, I am persuaded, have raised the amount promised.

It is evident that the policy pursued in recent years, of multiplying small stations and half-stations, has been a mistaken one, and yet it will be found difficult, if not impossible, to retrace our steps, and return to the large circuits of former times. Our country work, as it now exists, is undoubtedly one of the most serious problems with which we have to deal. Some readjustment of our present methods, to meet the changed conditions, seems demanded, but just what the needed modifications are is the burning question awaiting an answer.

During the year a widely known and greatly loved and honored member of this Conference, residing in this city, was called from the field of battle to wear the victor's crown. For half a century the Rev. Samuel D. Clayton was a flaming herald of salvation—one of the most successful pastor-evangelists in our ministry—one of the most magnetic and lovable men in the world. He missed the Conference roll-call, a few days ago, for the first time in fifty years; but "when the roll is called up yonder, he'll be there."

Within a week of our adjournment, last fall, death came to the parsonage in Fairhaven, and the faithful and loving wife of our brother, the Rev. I. R. Marshall, after a brief illness, entered upon the rest that remaineth for the people of God.

And then, in the early spring of this year, Mrs. Mattie Shultz, wife of the Rev. J. McKendree Shultz, was transferred from the parsonage in Springboro to the house not made with hands. A noble and useful Christian woman, whose "children rise up and call her blessed."

I may be allowed, in closing, to express my deep sense of the Divine goodness in granting me uninterrupted health and strength for the work of the year. The Dayton District covers a large territory. To visit its thirty-five charges quarterly, giving to each such supervision as occasion demands, has been found no easy task. But pastors and people have been exceedingly thoughtful and kind, and have co-operated with me, in every possible way, to make the work of the year pleasant and successful.

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## GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

GEORGE H. DART, Presiding Elder.

1. THE memories of the year are rich in grace and fellowships. They are saddened by unfulfilled promises and unachieved purposes. It is the order of life. Ideals transcend accomplishments. Our best are but faulty beginnings. I have served as best I could, nor tarried by the way. My largest self has been in my work. I have wrought no other-where. Neither time nor strength, inclination nor obligation, have allowed diversion. I have met all appointments, aggregating six hundred, and traveled about four thousand five hundred miles by rail and horse.

2. With joy I commend my brethren. Their record is clear. Dignity and discretion have marked their conduct. Their works justify them. Amid moral contentions, doctrinal agitations, and financial exigencies, they have carried themselves worthily. Some have harvested pentecosts, and others, not less able or devoted or laborious, have toiled without requital. Is it of the preachers or the people or the conditions, or do sower and reaper play their equal parts in the eternal plan, and shall

they find, at last, their equal recompense? In the main, the pastors and their families have been well. Sister Darling continues in bodily weakness but spiritual comfort. Sister McMullen, after brief illness, passed, August 7th, from the mortal to the immortal life, leaving our brother in age and loneliness extreme, but with faith and hope undimmed. Fletcher W. Hypes, of the retired list, was suddenly called, November 25, 1898, from the militant to the triumphant host. A son of Mars, a soldier of Jesus Christ, he fought a brave fight, and won, at last, the heights where heroes stand.

At the beginning of the year, D. C. Vance, of Ripley, was disabled. Physicians ordered him to Colorado, and the Church generously granted him an indefinite vacation, with full salary, less pulpit supply. The pastors kindly filled the Sabbath appointments for three months, and Sister Vance met all pastoral demands. From March, D. G. Latshaw served as supply. Though greatly improved, on medical advice Brother Vance asks for a superannuated relation. So passes, for a time, at least, from the effective ranks, one of our most loved and useful pastors, after thirty-five years of unremitting labor. Such as he is deserve our sympathy and succor. Their claims are of the Lord. Equity commends them. Brotherhood compels them. The comradeship of the district is precious. Whether from geographical isolation or the lack of pre-eminent places to awaken rivalry, certain it is that our relations are the most cordial. Strifes and contentions are alien to us. We are brothers indeed.

Our ministerial meetings are phenomenal. They never fail. The pastors are at their best. The people are expectant. Fraternity reigns. Devotion flames. Revivals attend and follow them.

3. The change of lines at the last Conference was of great advantage to the Georgetown District. It consolidated our work and harmonized our outlines so that the monstrosity of the old Conference map became but a grewsome memory. It closed the yawning gulfs between sections, thus lightening supervision by better Quarterly Conference combinations, brought neighboring Churches into touch, and opened to larger facilities of travel. The movement is prophetic. The district man of the twentieth century will be pre-eminently an executive, a man of affairs, large of ideas, fertile of resources, and strong of administration. In him must focalize the railroad magnate, the great financier, the recognized leader of men. A promoter, in the highest sense, he must project plans, formulate methods, organize forces, and bring to pass results. No preaching gifts can atone for lack here. His sphere must be administrative. In it is his supremacy. The district must broaden to this idea. It is inevitable. When the hour strikes, the Georgetown District will be in line. It is of to-day, and not of yesterday. Its adjustment is toward expansion—expansion along railroad lines. To this end have I builded, not in uncertainty, but with definite plan. Every move has been in this direction. The climax hastens. The times invite it. Futures will exact it. In that day, with its center of travel in the West, the territory of the district, by whatever name it may be called, will embrace the entire southeastern portion of the Conference traversed by the great Eastern railroad lines. The Redistricting Commission of two years ago so decreed, and the resident bishop approved it. It will become history. No conservatism will stay it. I do not now urge it. Uncertain Conference lines justify delay. But once settle these, and redistricting becomes imperative. The plan is feasible. Its administration is within the power of any man worthy of the place. The greatest gain will not be in economy, large as that may be, but in the wider range of appointments, and therefore of possible pastoral preferment within district lines.

4. In 1856, Thomas Robertson, of Olive Branch, left to a local Board of Trustees, \$2,700, the interest of which was to be devoted to missions. Large powers were granted this board. They used them with

autocratic sway, nor held themselves to any amenability. The probate was remiss. The Quarterly Conference did not exact. No accounting was had. The fund became a neighborhood convenience. Securities were not demanded, or accepted of uncertain value. Thus havoc was wrought with the trust. Its extinction was but of time. Yielding almost nothing to its beneficent cause through all the forty-three years of its unfortunate management, it minified the missionary spirit and offerings of the neighborhood, and so far, at least, became a hurt to the Church. With the approval of the General Missionary Board, I crowded for a settlement, and at last got \$761, and the trust was merged in the General Board.

5. The pleasure of my new acquisitions was modified by the early discovery of heavy debts on the South Lebanon and Miamiville properties. But these, with the debt on the Moscow property, have been reduced one-fourth. Old and burdensome debts on the Mason and New Richmond Churches have been fully liquidated.

For these results, Pastors Washburn, Whitney, Darling, Beery, and Wiant deserve commendation.

Betterments have been made at Felicity, Owensville, Maple Grove, Lebanon and Maineville. A new church is building at Greenbury, on the Marathon Charge, with cost covered by subscriptions.

At Loveland a lot, admirably located, and ample for church and parsonage purposes, has been bought and paid for. This means a new departure for Loveland Methodism in the near future.

The old parsonage at Georgetown has been sold, a new lot secured, and a modern and commodious home for the pastor is now in construction, to be completed without debt.

In these enterprises, Pastors Shanor, Price, Fulton, Gray, Gaddis, and Burdsall have done good work.

6. General conditions are good. The Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues are in fine form and thorough touch with the Church. Our young blood will tell grandly on the Methodism of the twentieth century.

Prayer and class meetings have vital place among us. We are more affluent in spiritual than temporal things. We have neither the markets nor the manufactories which decree wealth and wages. Our bank is the fruitful earth. Out of it we draw our largest revenues.

The benevolences will reach the advanced level of last year. Mrs. Morrison, of Decatur, has given one hundred dollars as an installment of one thousand which she purposes giving to missions on the annuity plan. This is the second thousand dollar gift to this cause T. G. Williams has secured from this charge.

The Twentieth-century Movement has been kept in the eye of the Church; but organized action awaits the incoming year.

Good meetings have been general, but great revivals rare. Pastors Bailey, Brokaw, Burdsall, and Lane have been especially honored of God in spiritual influences and ingatherings.

Brethren of the Georgetown District, our record is made. We may not erase it. The eternities will hold it. Our own failures we may sorrow, but need not despair. New opportunities invite us. They may yield victories. Let us address our best selves to our best possibilities; but ever remember, whether in triumphs or tragedies, greatness is not of place or achievement, but of ourselves. Beyond are the heavens.

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

THOMAS H. PEARNE, Presiding Elder.

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN,—In submitting my sixth and last report of the Hillsboro District, I recall, with gratitude to God, his great mercy in preserving my life and strength for the arduous toils of the



term now closing. I wish, also, to speak, with a grateful heart, of the invariable respect and kindness shown me by the members of the Conference and of the district, not only in the year now closing, but in the twenty-five years of my membership among you. Not only have the laymen and pastors of the district extended to me a noble and generous hospitality, but the members of the twenty-nine Quarterly Conferences have sent me forth with approving words, and with the assurances of their prayers and love.

In the eighteen years of my presiding eldership, the last ten of them in this Conference, I have striven to do all my official work fairly and faithfully, never, in any case, importing into it any sinister, personal animus. Near the close of the last calendar year, our venerable friend and brother, Rev. William Q. Shannon, passed into the heavenlies. His passage was beautifully ideal. Almost literally, he fell on sleep. He said to his wife, "I am very tired; I will go upstairs and rest." Slowly he ascended the stairs, and sat himself down. She heard him moan. She hastened to his side, and called her son. Her husband was already unconscious. In a very few moments he had ceased to breathe. God had given to his beloved sleep.

During the six years of my present incumbency there has been entire harmony between the brethren and myself. In that time gratifying progress has been made, eliminating inevitable additions and subtraction in forming and changing the district lines, so that the results tabulated should be accurate. There were, in 1894, at the end of my first year, 9,996 members and probationers. In 1898 there were 11,861; numerical increase, 1,865, or 19 per cent. In 1894 we had 72 churches, valued at \$186,700. In 1898, 83 churches, valued at \$246,620, an increase of eleven churches, 15½ per cent. Increase of values, \$59,720, or 33 per cent. In 1894 there were 20 parsonages, value, \$40,700. In 1898, 28 parsonages, value, \$57,600; increase, 8 parsonages, 41½ per cent; and of values, \$16,900, or 42 per cent.

In the last six years, 9,000 persons have professed conversion at our altars; average, per year, 1,500. Since 1893, \$14,100 of Church debts have been canceled, and, in the same time, \$64,900 have been raised and expended in church improvements. In both, \$79,000; total increase, \$195,000. Including the Woman's Foreign Missionary and the Woman's Home Missionary Societies, the Church benevolences have increased from \$4,810 for missions, in 1894, to \$5,479 in 1898. Increase, \$667, or 14 per cent. Increase in all other benevolences, 111 per cent. This year the increase will be relatively the largest of the last six. In October last, a District Ministerial Association was held in New Vienna. It was well sustained, both in the attendance of the ministers present and by their able papers. A District Epworth League Convention was held last July, in Sabina, under the able direction of our brother J. W. Story, the honored and efficient leader of our young people. The Convention, in every way, was satisfactory. Special attention has been given to the subject of our insuring our churches and parsonages in our own National and Church Insurance Company, at 87 Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, H. P. Magill, agent. Hillsboro College has been closed the entire year. It can not compete with our fine public schools without much more endowment than we now have, and of this there is no present prospect. The Conference College Trustees deem the present an unfavorable time to dispose of the institution. They have agreed upon a paper on this subject, which I have handed to the Committee on Education. The election of the following persons as Conference College Trustees is requested: viz., Jacob Saylor, George Barere, W. C. Duckwall, O. N. Sams, J. B. Wehrly, Charles Harsha, the presiding elder of the Hillsboro District, and the pastor of Hillsboro Methodist Episcopal Church. The Commission heretofore appointed to dispose of the college should probably be continued. They are William Runyan, T. H. Pearne, George

H. Dart, and H. D. Ketcham. The College Trustees should be empowered to fill coming vacancies. The Disciplinary directions anent the missionary cause have been observed. In most of the charges class-meetings are still maintained. More specifically and briefly, the present status of the several charges is thus given:

BELFAST, D. A. McColm.—Three Sabbath preachings. From ten to fifteen miles of travel. Fast driving is necessary. Mud roads forbid the use of buggy, and compel the saddle. Revivals. Twenty-five accessions. Two hundred pastoral visits made.

BLANCHESTER, C. H. Haines.—Prosperous year. Forty accessions; 30 conversions. Two hundred pastoral visits.

BOWERSVILLE, C. C. Peale.—Fourth year since admission on trial. Third year on this charge. Blessed fruit gathered. Collections up to apportionment. Three hundred dollars paid on church improvement. Twenty-five accessions and conversions. Five hundred pastoral visits. Large promise here.

CENTERFIELD (supply work).—One appointment. Fifty pastoral visits.

DUNKINSVILLE (supply).—Five appointments. Mud roads. Thirty conversions. One hundred and twenty-five pastoral visits.

CLARKSVILLE, J. S. Ruggles.—Faithful, useful. Collections all up. Ten conversions. One hundred and twenty-five pastoral visits.

GREENFIELD, Frank G. Mitchell.—Eleven hundred members. Largest charge, in membership, in the Conference. The church structure will hold only five hundred. In this large field, Dr. Mitchell has wrought and won grandly. Forty-eight conversions; sixty accessions. Pastoral visits (by the pastor) over thirteen hundred; by the Epworth League, over two thousand. Enrollments, Epworth League, 600; Sunday-school, 700. Both, until recently, under the care of J. W. Story. Parsonage and other indebtedness, \$2,750. Two thousand of this paid. The next most important thing is a church building capable of seating two thousand. Clearly, Dr. Mitchell is the man for the needs of this large membership. He has come to his kingdom for this hour.

A brick or stone structure, two thousand seating capacity, in some respects institutional, is the urgent need of Greenfield Methodism. In securing this, during his present term, Dr. Mitchell will have erected his own monument. In two years Dr. Mitchell has laid away, in God's acre, seventy members.

HILLSBORO, Marion LeSourd.—Nine hundred members. Fifty-eight years a station. For thirty-four years previously, Hillsboro Circuit held the ground. Randolph S. Foster, now a retired Bishop, was the first pastor. On assuming the station, he brought his young bride. The small, one-story parsonage they occupied is still shown. Probably one-third of the membership in children and young persons. In this, Hillsboro Charge is unlike any I have ever known in this Conference or any other. The young people are held and trained by the pastor and the Epworth Leagues. These number, respectively, 250 and 150 members. Sunday-school enrollment, 600. For nearly thirty years, Leander Detwiler has been the honored and successful superintendent, also the recording steward. Fifty conversions; 60 accessions. One thousand two hundred pastoral visits. Brother LeSourd's return unanimously desired. The recent record for benevolences is very fine. In 1893, for all benevolences, including missions (\$210), \$563. In 1898 (missions \$400), all other collections, \$1,200. Increase, \$619, or 110 per cent. For church improvements this year, \$800.

HILLSBORO CIRCUIT (supply).—Three appointments. Ten conversions. Fifty pastoral visits.

HIGHLAND, J. E. H. Sentman.—A peaceful, successful year. Collections up. Fourth year. Efficient worker, able preacher. Twenty accessions. One hundred and fifty pastoral visits. Three thousand dollars of church improvements in progress.



LYNCHBURG, R. E. Smith.—Second year. Wise and faithful pastor. Thirty-five conversions and accessions. One hundred and fifty pastoral visits.

LEESBURG, H. C. Middleton.—All the churches last year materially improved at a cost of \$5,600. Five hundred pastoral visits.

JAMESTOWN, U. G. Humphrey.—First year. A soul winner of sure power. Forty conversions; fifty accessions. Collections \$250 above apportionments. Church improvements, \$850. Seven hundred pastoral visits. Average attendance in Jamestown, in all the Churches, 50 per cent of population. Church attendance in Jamestown 28 per cent above the average attendance in the United States.

MT. ORAB, D. S. Ewry.—Hard labor. Cheering success. Thirty-five conversions and accessions. One thousand five hundred dollars for church improvements. Four hundred pastoral visits.

MARTINSVILLE, J. F. McColm.—Earnest work. Able preacher. One hundred and fifty pastoral visits.

NEW BURLINGTON, R. K. Deem.—Faithful, honored, useful. Fifteen accessions. Four hundred pastoral visits.

NEW VIENNA, John Wilson.—Second year. Ten accessions. Collections all up. One hundred and twenty-five pastoral visits.

NEW JASPER, C. W. Briggs.—Charge prosperous. Twenty accessions. Five hundred pastoral visits.

PEEBLES, A. W. Hook.—Diligent, appreciated, loved. Two hundred dollars paid for church improvements. Ten conversions. Five hundred pastoral visits.

RAINSBORO, Homer G. Curless.—First year in Conference work. A reader, a thinker, a preacher. Twenty accessions. Four hundred and twenty pastoral visits.

WAYNESVILLE, A. T. Cowgill.—Closes his fifth year. His second five years' pastorate in succession. He has unified, edified, and fed the flock of Christ. Conversions and accessions each year. Four hundred pastoral visits.

UNION, John A. White.—In his second year. This circuit was graded A 1 ninety-five years ago. Its grade has ever since been maintained. Twenty conversions. Three hundred pastoral visits.

WILMINGTON, John Pearson, Davis W. Clark.—Since our last session this charge has had a change of pastors. It occurred four months since. The first eight months, Dr. Pearson served the charge to the full satisfaction of his people. In this time he brought his benevolent subscriptions to the highest grade ever reached. To the regret of his members and congregation, Bishop Vincent appointed Dr. Pearson Field Agent of the American Bible Society in Michigan, Ohio, and West Virginia. Succeeding Dr. Pearson, Dr. Clark has won the high respect and love of his people. Pastoral visits by Dr. Pearson, 280; by Dr. Clark, 25.

XENIA: FIRST CHURCH, A. C. Turrell.—Into this dear old church, with its more than seven hundred members, and with its new and elegant auditorium, and other up-to-date conditions, came Brother Turrell at our last session. He succeeded the versatile and popular pastor, J. J. McCabe, who had been eminently successful during his pastorate of five years. Comparatively young in years and experience, Brother Turrell, ripe in judgment and old in wisdom, has filled this responsible position with marked ability and success. He has grappled, and wisely handled, the large financial liabilities resting upon the Church. In thus doing he has efficiently co-operated with the trustees. The floating debt has been practically canceled. Three thousand five hundred dollars of subscriptions have been collected. The permanent debt of \$10,000 has been reduced by two thousand dollars.

The pulpit has been ably sustained. The congregation has been large through all the year. Ninety accessions; thirty conversions. Collections all up to mark. One thousand four hundred pastoral visits.

WINCHESTER, George H. Smith.—His first year in this charge. His fourth in the Conference. As a pastor and preacher he is highly appreciated. Thirty conversions; twenty accessions. Four hundred and seventy pastoral visits.

TRINITY (Xenia), C. M. Van Pelt.—Considering that Brother Van Pelt has been in the Conference but nine years, in which time he has filled but two appointments, the first for four years, and the last for five, his success in both these pastorates is quite phenomenal. In both of these charges he has displayed a mature judgment, wise administrative ability, and a large degree of tact and skill in leading his flock into lines of high and beautiful doing for Christ. He has been acceptable, faithful, and popular. Before entering the ministry, he had had full equipment and several years of practice as a successful lawyer. God converted him, and called him into the ministry of the gospel. He is a scholar, a thinker, and an able minister. Collections all up. Twenty accessions. Eight hundred pastoral visits.

Massing these figures, 14,495 pastoral visits have been made; 675 accessions have been won—540 of these have professed saving faith. With the close of this Conference, I will lay down the pastoral work which, for sixty-two years, I have followed. In that time, for ten years an editor and for three years a United States Consul. Yet, in all these changes, I have never ceased to be an itinerant Christian minister. I have always loved the Methodist Episcopal Church, with its itinerancy and other peculiarities. As the son and successor of a Methodist itinerant, for sixty-seven years familiar with the hardships and trials and triumphs of an itinerant ministerial life, I have never been disaffected towards the itinerancy. It is my judgment that its efficiency would be promoted by the removal of the time limit. I glory in its magnificent results in a century and a half. It is of Divine origin and ordering. It has multiplied its wonderful victories around the world. In our own hemisphere, over the breadth of a continent, it has transformed a wilderness into a garden of beauty. We have good reason to believe that its future triumphant march will far transcend its past. To this Church and its agencies I have given the fervor and hopefulness of my boyhood, and the energy of my maturer age.

Under this banner, in my early life, my feet were planted, and, with God's help, under this banner I shall remain, "though my heart fail and flesh decay," until God shall say, "It is enough, come up higher." Indulge me in a few closing words, especially to the younger members of this Conference, whom I honor and love. I commend to your zeal and loyalty and steady devotion our God-honored and God-honoring Church. Her greatest need is not larger numbers, nor more machinery, nor more wealth, nor a better social status, but a larger and mightier spirituality, more pentecostal fire and power. Dear brethren, stand by the Church of our fathers; maintain it, and transmit it, unimpaired, to the generations following.

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## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

C. W. BARNES, Presiding Elder.

THIS report is a notation, rather than a description, of the work of the year.

1. The growing conviction that the Church has an increasing mission as an educator in the life and character has stimulated the activity of the Epworth Leagues and Sabbath-schools. The League, under the district superintendency of Mr. J. A. Myers, has done good work. Children's-day was generally observed. There is a fair representation of students in our schools and colleges. A valuable bequest of about a

quarter of a million dollars has come to the Ohio Wesleyan University by the will of the well-known layman, P. P. Mast. Other educational items might be mentioned, and it can be said that a sincere attempt has been made to meet our obligations in the field of Christian instruction.

2. Beside these efforts in preventive redemption, the usual evangelistic work has been pressed with vigor and success. The pastors of the district have conducted one hundred and fifty weeks of "special services." This would make a continuous meeting of over three and one-half years. A careful enumeration shows that up to May 1st, 659 persons had been converted, and 751 new members had been added to the Church.

3. In removing debts and improving church and parsonage property, the record of the year has been remarkable. The district has paid, on old indebtedness, \$8,996; on improving parsonages and churches, \$10,540.

Williams Chapel, on the South Charleston Circuit, has been rebuilt at a cost of \$1,400. The edifice combines good taste and comfort. Subscriptions aggregating \$23,625 have been taken for the rebuilding of First Church, Urbana. The designs (by Hannaford & Sons) show a beautiful structure, a worthy successor of the old historic First Church. Subscriptions have been taken, and funds are now in hand, amounting to \$33,500, for the building of a new church at Troy. The movement, inaugurated last year by a generous benefaction from the Harter estate, became a necessity by the burning of the old church upon Easter Sunday. The location of the new church, and the plans adopted, give universal satisfaction. Summing up these provisions for new churches, the amounts paid on indebtedness, and for improving churches and parsonages, the year's record for the Springfield District, in payments made and subscriptions taken, is the very creditable sum of \$78,061.

4. Bequests.—Upon the death of Mrs. W. B. Jackson, of Urbana, the Freedmen's Aid Society received the sum of \$1,400, upon which they were paying an annuity.

By the will of P. P. Mast, of Springfield, the following bequests are made: One hundred and fifty shares of the Mast, Foos & Company to the Trustees of the Cincinnati Conference. This bequest is to form a trust fund, the income to be used for the support of the superannuates of this Conference. Seventy-five shares of stock of the P. P. Mast & Company to the Trustees of Grace Church, Springfield, for the building of a new church, upon the condition that an additional sum of \$5,000 be raised for the edifice. The gift was to go to the Ohio Wesleyan University if this requirement was not met. The presiding elder presented to the university trustees a request from Grace Church, asking that this condition be reduced from \$5,000 to \$2,000. They agreed to do this if all parties interested consent. This courtesy toward Grace Church has been greatly appreciated, and renders a new church in the West End a speedy possibility.

5. Benevolences.—The reports show a close approximate to the offerings of last year. There is a deficiency of \$161 on missions. The death of a single contributor, mid-year, accounts for that sum. On the other hand, a special gift of property, valued at \$5,000, has been made to the Missionary Society. The donor was Laban W. Haughey, of the South Charleston Charge. His gift of \$1,500 to the new parsonage, made about the same time, inaugurated that successful enterprise. One thousand dollars of the missionary offering is for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, one thousand for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and the remaining three thousand goes directly to the Parent Board. Brother Haughey is a venerable and highly-esteemed member of Rev. J. S. Pumphrey's Church. He is one who believes in premortem benevolence. If this gift (of the \$3,000) could be credited, the record would be \$2,839 in advance of last year. The Springfield District has given far more than this to the cause of missions. It has given Rev. Lewis Lin-

zell and his noble wife, who enter missionary work in India under the episcopal direction of Bishop Thoburn. The very successful pastorate at Arcanum is to be exchanged for service in the Bombay Conference. Our prayers and love shall follow these gifted and successful workers to their new field, and our friendship is a fresh incentive to missionary activity.

6. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.—High Street, Springfield, has abandoned the pew system, and everybody is in every way delighted with the change. The Semi-centennial Jubilee will be held in October.

Urbana reports a good camp-meeting under the leadership of Rev. A. N. Spahr.

Deep interest is felt in the establishment of the Old People's Home at Yellow Springs, Ohio. This enterprise adds a unique feature to the work of the district.

Through a strange combination of Providence and the persevering perversity of the Trustees of the Ohio Wesleyan University, St. Paul's Church, Springfield, has lost her pastor, Rev. J. W. Magruder, who becomes the Professor of Sociology in the famous university. While his host of friends are pleased by the very flattering recognition which his merit has received, those who live in Springfield regret sincerely that he should leave his Church and the city in which he has been such a power for good.

A few weeks ago an important step was taken in the organization of the Methodist Union of Springfield. The object is to aid needy Churches and promote the general interests of Methodism. The Churches were never before united in any general work. Some forty representative laymen were present in the first meeting. Mr. Robert Johnson is the president, and the movement is full of promise.

A number of our brethren who are not in active work reside in the Springfield District. By good influence and godly living they are continuing the noble record of former years. We pay them tribute. Their names constitute our "Roll of Honor," and are as follows: Dr Adam Bowers, Piqua; J. G. Black, New Carlisle; John Vance, New Moorefield; J. P. Shultz, New Carlisle; S. W. Carey and T. E. Fidler, Urbana; and Dr. W. I. Fee, of Piqua.

Death has been with us. Michael Kauffman, John W. Cassatt, William B. Moler, Mrs. W. B. Moler, Mrs. W. B. Jackson, Mrs. E. G. West, and Mrs. David Warnock, have all entered the holy life. They heard the call clear and sweet, and passed in peace beyond the "sunset and the evening star."

During the whole of the first quarter I was dangerously ill. Through my window I saw the summer close, the autumn pass, and then came the snow, and all this time my brethren of the district cared for my duties. The Quarterly Conferences were held by Brothers Brown, Story, Black, Spahr, Fuller, Pumphrey, Royal, Conger, Hill, Ketcham, and the sainted Cassatt, who has now passed beyond the white gates of silence by which I so long waited. J. W. Magruder met the district stewards, and the pastors held the communion services. Brothers Brown and Story were especially kind; as to them, and particularly to Brother Brown, came the correspondence and care of arrangement. I want to thank the brethren of the district, one and all, for their loving kindness. I wish to thank you, also, for your messages of love and assurances of prayer, which brightened the days of shadow. I want, more than all, this—that you join me in gratitude to God. He walked with me in the paths of pain, and made them sweet with peace. He has given me health and the privilege of preaching his truth. Through the days of pain and the days of pleasure the silent song of my heart has been:

"There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus;  
No, not one! No, not one!"

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## STATISTICS.

## CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT.

QUESTION 30.—*What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*

ANSWER, . . . . . \$11,509.00

QUESTION 31.—*What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*

## RECEIPTS.

ANSWER.—From Chartered Fund, . . . . . \$22 00  
 From Conference Trustees, . . . . . 477 83  
 From Mears Bequest, . . . . . 129 25  
 From Book Concern, . . . . . 1,047 00  
 From the Charges, . . . . . 5,013 71  
 From Balance of last year, . . . . . 26 77

Advanced by W. J. B. . . . . 13 52

Total, . . . . . \$6,730 08

## DISBURSEMENTS.

CLAIMANTS.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Estimate of Stew- ards.	Amount paid . .	POST-OFFICE OF CLAIM- ANTS.
MINISTERS				
Rev. R. A. Arthur, . . .	By mail, . . . . .	\$50 00	\$28 65	Addison, W. Va.
Rev. J. T. Bail, . . . .	Self, . . . . .	400 00	229 20	Norwood, O.
Rev. J. G. Black, . . . .	Self, . . . . .	350 00	200 55	New Carlisle, O.
Rev. L. O. Deputy, . . .	Sheridan Bell, . . . .	400 00	229 20	Moulton Ave., Price Hill, Cincinnati, O.
Rev. G. M. Edgar, . . .	Self, . . . . .	275 00	157 57	Winchester, O.
Rev. S. V. Edmiston, . .	G. H. Smith, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	Winchester, O.
Rev. G. W. Fee, . . . .	D. S. Ewry, . . . . .	400 00	229 20	Mt. Orab, O.
Rev. W. I. Fee, . . . . .	Self, . . . . .	250 00	143 25	Piqua, O.
Rev. T. Fidler, . . . . .	E. H. Cherington, . . .	275 00	157 57	Urbana, O.
Rev. A. M. Griffith, . .	William Runyan, . . .	350 00	200 55	Sabina, O.
Rev. J. W. Hickman, . .	By mail, . . . . .	150 00	85 95	Pursley, W. Va.
Rev. J. F. Hull, . . . .	By mail, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Rowland, Ala.
Rev. W. P. Jackson, . .	Self, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	Blanchester, O.
Rev. E. P. James, . . .	Self, . . . . .	250 00	143 25	Delaware, O.
Rev. H. M. Keck, . . . .	Self, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	Hamilton, O.
Rev. J. F. Loyd, . . . .	Self, . . . . .	400 00	229 20	Delaware, O.
Rev. S. N. Marsh, . . . .	By mail, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	Fresno, Cal.
Rev. J. H. Middleton, . .	H. C. Middleton, . . .	250 00	143 25	Greenfield, O.
Rev. A. Miller, . . . . .	Self, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	172 Ashland Bou., Chicago.
Rev. W. H. Sutherland, .	Self, . . . . .	400 00	229 20	Wyoming, O.
Rev. John Vance, . . . .	J. F. Laird, . . . . .	50 00	28 65	New Moorefield.
Rev. David C. Vance, . .	Self, . . . . .	250 00	143 25	
Rev. Wm. M. West, . . .	A. D. Maddox, . . . .	250 00	143 25	Camp Dennison, O.
Rev. L. F. Young, . . . .	By mail, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	St. Paris, O.
Funeral expenses of				
Rev. J. W. Cassatt, . . .	C. L. Conger, . . . Net,	50 00	50 00	
Rev. F. W. Hypes, . . . .	L. E. Price, . . . . Net,	50 00	50 00	
		\$6850 00	\$3967 74	

CLAIMANTS.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Estimate of Stew- ards . .	Amount paid . .	POST-OFFICE OF CLAIM- ANTS.
WIDOWS.				
Mrs. M. G. Baker, . . .	A. C. Turrell, . . . . .	\$150 00	\$85 95	Xenia, O.
Mrs. A. U. Beall, . . . .	A. Hamilton, . . . . .	50 00	28 65	Monroe, O.
Mrs. J. P. Bishop, . . . .	Mail, . . . . .	150 00	85 95	Franklin, Ky.
Mrs. S. A. Brewster, . . .	Edward Brewster, . . .	50 00	28 65	Springfield, O.
Mrs. D. Callahan, . . . .	C. F. Enyart, . . . . .	100 00	57 30	Georgetown, O.
Mrs. J. W. Cassatt, . . . .	C. Conger, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Greenville, O.
Mrs. N. W. Darlington, . .	G. S. Easton, . . . . .	50 00	28 65	West Union, O.
Mrs. Jesse R. Hall, . . . .	J. D. Darling, . . . . .	100 00	57 30	Point Pleasant, O.
Mrs. Wm. Herr, . . . . .	C. W. Gullette, . . . .	200 00	114 60	Dayton, O.
Mrs. W. E. Hines, . . . .	E. T. Lane, . . . . .	175 00	97 69	Williamshurg, O.
Mrs. J. N. Irvin, . . . . .	Mail, . . . . .	125 00	71 62	Lima, O.
Mrs. C. Kalbfus, . . . . .	C. H. Kalbfus, . . . . .	150 00	85 95	Frostburg, Md.
Mrs. J. W. Keely, . . . . .	J. P. Porter, . . . . .	50 00	28 65	Oxford, O.
Mrs. G. H. Kennedy, . . . .	Mail, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	St. Paris, O.
Mrs. Eli Kirk, . . . . .	W. L. Spence, . . . . .	100 00	57 30	Christiansburg, O.
Mrs. J. McD. Matthews, . .	M. LeSourd, . . . . .	50 00	28 65	Hillsboro, O.
Mrs. Henry Miller, . . . .	W. H. Spybey, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Cincinnati, O.
Mrs. N. McDonald, . . . .	V. F. Brown, . . . . .	175 00	97 69	Springfield, O.
Mrs. A. Musgrove, . . . .	W. L. Spence, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Christiansburg, O.
Mrs. Joseph Newson, . . .	J. G. Black, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	New Carlisle, O.
Mrs. I. C. Page, and children, . . . . .	A. N. Spahr, . . . . .	250 00	143 25	Mechanicsburg, O.
Mrs. Geo. T. Perry, . . . .	R. E. Smith, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Lynchburg, O.
Mrs. J. M. Robinson, . . .	Mail, . . . . . Net.	25 00	25 00	Mingo, O.
Mrs. D. H. Sargent, . . . .	Mail, . . . . .	100 00	57 30	St. Louis, Mo.
Mrs. John Shinn, . . . . .	Mail, . . . . .	200 00	114 60	Marysville, O.
Mrs. E. C. Smith and children, . . . . .	F. C. English, . . . . .	300 00	171 90	Cleves, O.
Mrs. Jas. Stephenson, . . .	U. G. Humphrey, . . . .	200 00	114 60	Jamestown, O.
Mrs. H. Stokes, . . . . .	J. P. Porter, . . . . .	125 00	71 62	Lambert's P., Norfolk, Va.
Mrs. A. W. Tibbitts, . . . .	U. G. Humphrey, . . . .	200 00	114 60	Jamestown, O.
Mrs. L. F. Van Cleve, . . .	S. O. Royal, . . . . .	100 00	57 30	Troy, O.
Mrs. T. Wones, . . . . .	C. Wones, . . . . .	75 00	42 97	Springfield, O.
Funeral expenses of Mrs. W. McMullen, . . . .	I. E. Price, . . . . . Net.	50 00	50 00	
Printing Minutes, . . . . .		5 00	5 00	
Stationery, . . . . .		2 00	2 00	
Treasurer, . . . . .		2 00	2 00	
Amount paid last year to W. M. West by order of Conference, . . . . .		150 00	150 00	
		\$4659 00	\$2762 34	
Total disbursements, . . . . .			\$6,730 08	

G. P. AUSTIN, *Chairman.*

A. T. COWGILL,

J. R. COLLEY,

W. J. BAKER, *Secretary.*

E. BURDSALL,

J. R. HILL,

A. D. MADDOX, *Treasurer.*

H. C. MIDDLETON,

M. M. KUGLER.

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## REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER FOR 1899.

## RECEIPTS.

	CASH.	VOUCHER.	GRAND TOTAL.
For Missionary Society, . . . . .	\$14,413 00	\$5,963	\$20,376 00
For Church Extension Society, . . . . .	1,509 00	548	2,057 00
For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Edu- cation, . . . . .	2,019 00	894	2,913 00
For Sunday-school Union, . . . . .	264 00	94	358 00
For Tract Society, . . . . .	245 00	113	358 00
For Education: Public Collection, . . . .	271 00	212	483 00
Children's Fund, . . . . .	694 00	365	1,059 00
For American Bible Society, . . . . .	297 00	406	703 00
For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society,	37 00	8,845	8,882 00
For Woman's Home Missionary Society, .	27 00	6,490	6,517 00
For Conference Claimants, . . . . .	4,518 00	497	5,015 00
For Episcopal Fund, . . . . .	1,213 00	251	1,464 00
For Missionary Debt, . . . . .	160 00	1,765	1,925 00
For Other Benevolent Collections, . . . .	1,224 00	13,326	14,550 00
For General Conference Expenses, . . . .	472 00	51	523 00
Fractional Dollars received, . . . . .	17 73		17 73
Grand total, . . . . .	\$27,380 73	\$29,820	\$67,200 73

## DISBURSEMENTS OF CASH.

To Curts & Jennings, for various Societies, . . . . .	\$20,854 29
To A. D. Maddox, Treasurer Conference Stewards, . . . . .	5,013 71
To J. W. Bashford, for Ohio Wesleyan University, . . . . .	271 00
To H. C. Weakley, for Christ's Hospital, . . . . .	1,224 00
To S. O. Royal, for Publishing Conference Minutes, . . . . .	17 73

Grand total, . . . . . \$27,380 73

Receipts and vouchers for these amounts are in my hands.

C. W. HORN, *Conference Treasurer.*

DAYTON, O., September 6, 1899.

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## GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 1.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY, . . . . . C. F. ENYART, Wilmington, O.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Frs.	Deaths	Children Bapt'd	Adults Bapt'd	Schools.	Offrs & T'rs.	Scholars of all ages	Churches	Probable Val.	Parsonages	Probable Val.	Ed for build & furn'g V. Chrs. & Parsonages	Ed on old indebtedness on Ch. Property	Present In- debtedness on Ch. Property.
CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																
Bond Hill & Pleasant Ridge		120	1	1			2	21	125	2	\$10,000			\$59	\$142	\$450
Carthage & Elmwood Place	4	211		12	5	12	2	44	230	2	9,500			77		
Cincinnati: Asbury	5	178	1	3	6	6	1	27	250	1	8,000	1	\$2,000			
Avondale	7	177		3			1	22	130	1	30,000	1	11,000	450		2,500
Christie	24	363	1	5	4	2	1	28	150	1	20,000	1	7,000			
Clifton		54		1	2		1	16	70	1	35,000			50		
Columbia	3	365	2	3	4	4	1	22	368	1	10,000	1	4,000	112	208	2,800
Cumminsville	6	312	2	3	10	1	1	30	275	1	30,000				500	10,000
Delta Avenue	15	234	1	4	5	7	1	30	200	1	12,000			25		
East Pearl Street	9	36			10	2	1	6	85	1	7,000	1	2,000	98		
Fairmount	8	180			10		1	24	250	1	7,000	1	2,500		608	2,000
Finley	11	137		1		2	1	20	180	1	10,000					
Hopple Street	5	140			3		1	18	230	1	3,000					
Linwood	10	113	1		3	11	1	10	75	1	3,100					
McKendree	14	353		8	12	2	1	20	150	1	16,100			30		
Mount Auburn	14	176	2	2	3	3	1	13	125	1	25,000			27	526	2,450
Mount Lookout	6	226	1	1	2		1	20	130	1	5,000	1	3,500	300		
Price Hill	12	166	1	4	3		1	20	166	1	14,000			217		
Riverside	(6)	90			4		1	12	120	1	4,000					1,000
St. John		49		5	(6)	0	01	11	60	1	12,000			251		1,000
St. Paul	11	390	1	4	4	6	1	28	380	1	100,000	1	15,000			5,000
Trinity	14	389	1	3	6	6	1	31	250	1	75,000					
Walnut Hills	12	518	3	7	3	1	1	33	300	1	60,000	1	15,000	459		
Wesley Chapel	38	632	4	7	21	12	1	46	541	1	80,000	1	10,000	620		
Westwood	8	164		5	4	5	1	28	170	1	50,000	1	2,500			
York Street	16	182		2	2	6	1	25	250	1	12,000					
Cleves	22	421	1	7	10	40	2	39	312	2	8,600			153	236	680
Delhi	3	136	2		7	4	1	20	142	1	4,000			100		
Groesbeck	3	213		3	1	5	3	25	155	4	6,500					
Hartwell	9	200		1	1		1	23	200	1	12,000	1	2,500	110	340	2,200
Harrison	7	225		2	31	3	40	200	3	11,000	1	2,000		100	350	
Lockland-Wyoming	20	300	1	2	2		1	24	236	1	25,000	1	6,000		500	
Madisonville	5	390	1	8	8	4	1	22	260	1	2,000	1	3,000	1,100		
Mt. Washington		65		2	2		1	12	135	1	5,000					
Newtown	8	325		4	2	1	4	40	210	4	6,000	1	1,800	100	60	150
Norwood: First Church	2	221	2	1	3		1	23	200	1	5,000			125		
Grace	9	198		5	8	8	1	17	225	1	5,500				200	1,300
Winton Place	6	124		1	3		1	23	150	1	15,000	1	10,000	160	1,300	
Totals.	358	8,773	29	110	186	188	48	913	7,685	49	\$16,200	17	99,800	4,267	3,580	32,180
DAYTON DISTRICT.																
Bethany	2	176		2		5	1	18	75	1	3,500	1	1,000	75		
Camden & Somerville	90	290		3	6	94	2	38	253	2	9,000	1	1,000		40	
Centerville	6	390		8	19	19	2	38	285	2	9,500	1	1,500	500		
Concord	12	205		2	4		4	38	209	4	8,000	1	500			
Dayton: Broadway	17	745	3	9	16	6	2	73	600	1	10,000	1	3,000			500
Grace	11	745	2	13	7	6	1	31	307	1	60,000	1	10,000	9,000		
Riverdale	6	123		1			1		150		2,500			38		
Raper	8	820	1	7	7	5	2	65	600	2	30,000	1	4,000	700		
St. Paul	20	710	2	10	15	20	1	50	650	1	27,000			2,000	100	
Trinity	49	222	3	1	8		1	28	198	1	12,000	1	2,500			4,900
Eaton	5	365	1	4	5	4	1	24	150	1	20,000	1	3,000	265		
Ebenezer & Homestead Av	2	201	1	1	6	35	2	32	189	2	3,200	1	1,500	12	80	300
Fair Haven		313		5	4	2	2	32	275	2	4,500	1	700			
Fort Jefferson	4	232		1	1		4	66	341	4	6,000	1	1,500	700	535	
Franklin	37	414		1	3	11	1	20	235	1	20,000	1	4,000	40		
Germantown	1	165		1	2	4	1	22	150	1	2,500			850		
Glendale and Pt. Union	21	189		3	4	3	4	30	160	4	7,500	1	2,500	150		
Gordon	4	138	1	3	1	1	4	42	353	4	3,300	1	350	21		
Hamilton	7	585		8	23	5	1	43	675	1	40,000	1	10,000		1,160	10,000
Lewisburg	26	196	1	4	3	10	3	43	228	3	6,000	1	1,300	1,800		
Miamisburg	15	270		1	5		1	25	275	1	8,000	2	4,500	100		
Middletown	41	672	1	5	50	19	2	53	529	2	46,000	1	3,000	372	500	10,000
Montee	25	200		1	19	2	25	150	2	8,000	1	2,000	100			
New Paris	6	178		1	5	2	1	16	70	3	2,000	1	1,000	20	50	
Osborn	4	342		4	1	2	4	50	375	4	10,800			285		
Oxford	10	338	2	6	2	6	1	20	210	1	20,000	1	1,800	150		
Red Lion & Merrittstown	3	157		3			2	24	80	2	5,500	1	1,000	8		
Seven Mile	7	208		4	3	4	1	14	90	2	1,100	1	1,200	600		
Springboro & Lytlestown	2	200		2			2	26	130	2	3,500	1	850	225		
Venice	8	295		3		6	4	43	301	4	9,000	1	7,000			



NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	Probationers..	Full Members.	Local Pri-ers.	Deaths.....	Children B'p'd.	Adults Bap'd..	Schools.....	Offrs & T'chs.	Scholars of all ages.....	Churches.....	Probable Val..	Parsonages.....	Probable Val..	Pr'd for build. & improv. Chrs. and Par's.....	Pr'd on old In- debtedness Ch. Property.	Pr'd on old In- debtedness Ch. Property.
Walker and Union.....	2	96	.....	1	.....	2	24	10	2	\$3,500	.....	.....	\$5	.....	.....	.....
West Alexandria.....	1	143	.....	2	.....	2	15	100	1	3,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Carrollton.....	3	185	.....	.....	10	1	16	160	1	1,900	1	\$2,500	100	\$3.00	.....	\$1,400
West Chester.....	6	317	.....	6	12	2	30	180	3	6,500	1	1,200	410	.....	.....	.....
West Elkton.....	3	215	5	5	.....	1	4	40	1	3,000	1	1,000	200	.....	.....	100
Totals.....	464	11,042	24	129	221	310	71	1151	9,068	69	416,900	30	75,500	18,786	2,755	27,100
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.																
Aberdeen.....	4	422	.....	6	.....	14	3	38	200	4	5,800	1	1,000	.....	.....	.....
Amelia.....	22	368	1	.....	3	32	4	35	420	4	6,500	1	2,000	75	200	200
Batavia.....	36	263	3	5	36	1	27	288	1	10,000	1	1,200	68	.....	.....	.....
Bethel.....	43	373	1	7	1	28	5	51	490	5	4,000	1	600	30	.....	.....
Butlerville.....	5	297	.....	3	1	8	4	60	285	4	5,500	.....	.....	150	.....	.....
Centenary.....	4	280	1	9	1	7	5	50	125	5	8,000	.....	.....	20	.....	.....
Chilo.....	10	350	.....	5	20	5	52	260	4	6,000	1	600	100	50	.....	.....
Decatur.....	1	265	1	5	1	4	50	265	4	6,000	1	1,100	40	.....	.....	.....
Feesburg.....	4	208	.....	2	6	5	45	243	5	3,300	1	100	148	.....	.....	.....
Felicity.....	17	302	1	3	.....	5	2	50	251	2	5,100	1	1,000	100	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	6	473	.....	5	.....	6	3	37	337	3	11,500	1	1,250	990	.....	.....
Goshen.....	3	299	.....	.....	5	.....	3	39	260	2	3,500	1	1,000	25	.....	.....
Laurel.....	11	455	.....	.....	.....	4	59	289	4	6,300	1	300	25	.....	.....	.....
Lebanon.....	13	312	1	4	2	5	1	27	298	1	12,000	1	2,500	385	1,400	500
Loveland.....	.....	239	.....	5	2	8	3	49	256	3	6,800	.....	.....	368	.....	.....
Maineville.....	2	145	.....	3	2	8	2	25	150	.....	4,000	1	1,500	250	.....	.....
Manchester.....	3	286	1	7	9	1	12	31	326	.....	6,200	1	1,200	42	.....	.....
Marathon.....	20	450	2	7	5	15	5	60	225	5	5,900	1	1,200	50	.....	.....
Mason.....	16	246	.....	3	3	5	3	48	304	3	6,500	1	3,500	50	50	750
Milford.....	5	269	.....	3	4	6	1	24	175	1	6,000	1	2,500	.....	.....	.....
Montgomery.....	.....	130	1	3	1	1	4	35	175	4	6,000	.....	.....	135	825	.....
Morrow.....	15	178	.....	2	1	.....	1	12	125	1	3,500	1	1,500	85	.....	.....
Moscow.....	5	395	3	5	2	6	4	50	320	4	12,000	.....	.....	50	160	680
New Richmond.....	2	171	3	.....	.....	8	1	18	150	1	4,400	1	1,500	50	399	.....
Owensville.....	4	414	3	9	3	10	4	58	360	4	5,500	1	1,200	440	.....	.....
Ripley.....	4	276	.....	5	.....	1	1	20	228	1	20,000	1	3,000	.....	.....	.....
South Lebanon.....	6	145	1	1	.....	4	2	25	150	2	4,400	1	1,500	200	100	600
Summerside.....	11	285	1	5	.....	2	3	47	330	4	6,000	2	2,200	50	.....	.....
West Union.....	12	446	1	3	1	1	3	47	295	3	3,600	1	800	50	50	.....
Williamsburg.....	40	260	1	2	2	25	1	24	200	1	3,500	1	2,000	50	.....	.....
Williamsburg Circuit.....	3	250	.....	1	.....	35	4	20	275	5	4,400	.....	.....	180	.....	.....
Totals.....	327	9,232	23	111	61	308	93	1,236	8,042	94	200,900	26	38,250	4,091	2,544	3,585
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.																
Belfast.....	3	500	1	4	2	6	6	70	390	6	6,000	1	500	70	.....	.....
Blanchester.....	40	453	1	4	4	15	3	48	405	3	17,000	1	1,800	.....	800	2,500
Bowesville.....	17	338	1	1	.....	15	4	48	304	4	5,600	1	800	235	.....	.....
Centerfield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clarksville.....	8	295	.....	3	.....	3	2	24	100	2	4,000	1	1,000	.....	.....	.....
Dunkinsville.....	.....	250	2	5	3	12	4	41	260	4	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenfield.....	20	1,024	.....	15	.....	1	1	33	700	1	10,000	1	6,500	875	900	600
Hillsboro Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Highland.....	18	363	2	3	.....	5	4	62	337	4	6,000	1	800	.....	.....	.....
Hillsboro.....	10	860	2	14	6	32	1	27	610	1	12,000	1	3,000	500	.....	.....
Jamestown.....	7	332	.....	4	.....	9	1	24	230	1	12,500	1	2,000	871	.....	135
Leesburg.....	2	360	2	8	3	4	3	50	375	3	12,800	1	2,000	.....	.....	.....
Lynchburg.....	15	500	2	9	.....	19	4	80	450	4	7,000	1	1,800	150	150	.....
Martinsville.....	6	219	1	2	.....	1	3	40	131	4	4,000	1	400	.....	.....	.....
Mount Orab.....	8	435	3	4	12	5	4	60	425	4	6,000	1	1,800	1,650	.....	.....
New Burlington.....	8	554	4	7	.....	2	4	58	360	4	76,900	1	1,500	230	100	142
New Jasper.....	1	333	.....	4	.....	12	3	33	177	3	7,440	1	1,800	50	.....	.....
New Vienna.....	.....	300	.....	1	.....	3	36	250	3	10,000	1	1,500	.....	60	.....	.....
Peebles.....	7	317	.....	3	5	2	3	42	260	3	2,500	1	1,000	150	.....	.....
Rainsboro.....	.....	420	6	12	6	4	58	500	4	9,500	1	1,200	75	.....	.....	.....
Sabina.....	2	287	1	3	.....	2	1	22	210	1	14,000	1	2,000	196	210	.....
Sinking Spring.....	1	370	2	2	2	10	6	20	160	6	3,000	1	400	210	150	.....
Sugar Tree Ridge.....	50	400	.....	12	4	5	5	82	480	7	7,500	1	100	800	50	.....
Union.....	15	309	.....	5	.....	6	5	70	300	5	5,700	1	2,200	100	100	1,100
Waynesville.....	5	245	.....	5	1	1	2	39	200	2	6,300	2	2,000	750	.....	.....
Wilmington.....	2	315	.....	.....	.....	5	1	25	140	1	12,000	1	2,500	.....	.....	.....
Winchester.....	7	490	.....	6	2	9	4	52	430	4	5,280	1	1,000	25	.....	.....
Xenia: First Church.....	34	700	1	8	12	28	1	32	350	1	40,000	1	5,000	400	3,500	8,000
Trinity.....	13	352	.....	5	1	5	1	22	147	1	20,000	1	5,000	235	157	.....
Totals.....	299	11,361	27	142	75	216	83	1,198	8,671	86	254,980	27	49,600	7,570	6,127	12,427
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																
Arcanum.....	6	168	1	5	2	5	1	23	210	1	5,000	1	2,000	130	.....	.....
Brandt.....	20	154	1	2	1	1	2	23	223	4	4,200	1	1,200	150	.....	.....
Catawba.....	5	481	.....	4	2	3	4	70	400	4	9,000	1	3,000	.....	.....	100
Cedarville.....	19	415	1	4	12	1	2	19	225	2	3,600	1	2,000	200	.....	.....

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	Probationers...	Full Members...	Local Preachers.	Deaths.....	Children Bapt'd.	Adults Bapt'd....	Schools.....	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.....	Churches.....	Probable Value..	Parsonages.....	Probable Value..	Paid for Build. & Improv. Chur. and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Ch. ch property.....	Present Indebtedness on Ch. ch property.....
Christiansburg.....	4	208	2	4	1	4	60	225	4	\$9,000	1	\$1,000	\$152	.....	.....	.....
Covington.....	8	151	1	2	1	1	24	131	2	3,000	1	1,000	200	.....	.....	\$100
Dialton.....	.....	350	1	6	10	4	66	495	1	9,500	1	1,500	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville.....	17	350	2	5	2	21	1	28	280	1	27,000	1	2,700	170	\$2,558	2,000
King's Creek.....	19	175	1	3	.....	2	4	32	210	1	3,100	1	1,000	40	.....	45
Mechanicsburg.....	25	420	.....	9	.....	4	1	27	240	1	30,000	1	2,500	100	850	.....
Mutual.....	13	316	.....	5	6	1	4	41	300	1	7,400	1	600	85	100	1,175
New Carlisle.....	23	246	1	3	16	1	2	36	286	2	6,500	1	1,500	.....	.....	.....
New Moorefield.....	.....	267	.....	4	.....	1	4	50	300	1	10,000	1	1,200	125	.....	.....
Piqua: Grace.....	33	453	2	4	3	7	1	28	330	1	6,000	1	4,000	1,000	200	.....
Greene Street.....	12	670	1	10	2	27	1	37	250	1	26,500	1	8,000	250	1,000	804
South Charleston.....	26	342	.....	5	.....	.....	2	33	214	2	13,000	2	5,000	4,062	.....	.....
South Charleston Circuit.....	5	359	1	5	7	2	5	60	240	5	7,100	.....	.....	1,000	125	500
Springfield: Central.....	42	809	5	9	14	13	1	72	560	1	20,000	1	10,000	42	1,400	.....
Clifton Ave.....	24	377	2	4	6	7	2	46	320	2	2,000	.....	.....	25	.....	.....
Grace.....	5	190	1	1	7	15	1	16	192	1	3,000	.....	.....	25	25	100
High Street.....	9	484	1	2	10	12	1	36	284	1	30,000	1	10,000	.....	800	750
St. Paul.....	7	487	.....	10	19	14	1	44	350	1	50,000	1	5,000	600	.....	3,900
Tippecanoe City.....	3	235	3	4	.....	1	1	24	200	1	15,000	1	2,000	10	.....	.....
Tremont City.....	12	402	.....	4	2	11	4	60	450	1	19,000	1	1,200	.....	.....	.....
Troy.....	25	612	3	7	21	1	33	353	1	8,500	2	10,500	5,500	402	1,000	.....
Troy Circuit.....	7	292	1	5	.....	8	3	45	208	3	5,500	1	1,500	28	.....	.....
Urbana: First Church.....	8	626	.....	11	22	1	26	370	1	20,000	1	5,000	2,400	.....	.....	.....
Grace.....	15	502	2	6	1	1	1	30	400	1	25,000	1	4,000	3,300	.....	.....
Yellow Springs.....	9	319	.....	5	1	1	2	36	235	2	3,500	1	1,200	50	.....	.....
Totals.....	401	10,860	33	148	115	213	63	1125	8,481	65	381,400	28	88,600	\$19,664	7,760	\$10,474

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT.		S. SCHOOLS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	Probationers...	Full Members...	Local Preachers.	Deaths.....	Children Bapt'd.	Adults Bapt'd....	Schools.....	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.....	Churches.....	Probable Value..	Parsonages.....	Probable Value..	Paid for Build. & Improv. Chur. and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Ch. ch property.....	Present Indebtedness on Ch. ch property.....
Cincinnati.....	358	8773	29	110	186	189	48	913	7685	49	\$16000	17	\$99800	\$4267	\$3580	\$32180
Dayton.....	464	11042	24	129	221	310	71	1154	9068	69	416900	30	75500	18786	2755	27100
Georgetown.....	327	9232	23	111	61	308	93	1236	8042	94	200900	26	38250	4091	2544	3585
Hillsboro.....	299	11361	27	142	75	216	83	1198	8671	86	254980	27	49600	7570	6127	12427
Springfield.....	401	10860	33	148	115	213	63	1125	8481	65	381400	28	88600	19664	7760	10474
Totals.....	1849	51268	136	640	658	1336	358	5626	41947	363	2070180	128	351750	54378	22766	85766
Totals 1898.....	2051	51424	129	658	877	1482	360	5583	42046	364	2021320	124	338150	49098	30863	62399
Increase.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	.....	.....	48860	4	13600	5280	.....	3367
Decrease.....	202	156	.....	18	219	146	2	.....	99	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	8097	.....

## STATISTICS NO. II, BY DISTRICTS.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY, . . . . .

C. F. ENYART, Wilmington, Ohio.

NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.							
	No. of Schools. . .	No. Officers and Teachers. . . . .	No. of Scholars of all Grades. . . . .	Average Attendance. . . . .	No. of Members in Home Department. . . . .	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers. .	No. of Scholars, whether Attend-ants or Members in Home Dept who are Church Members or Probationers. . . .	No. of Members of Sunday-school Converted during the Year. . . .
Cincinnati, . . . . .	48	913	7,685	3,558	520	815	1,275	296
Dayton, . . . . .	71	1,154	9,068	5,884	493	1,075	1,764	442
Georgetown, . . . . .	93	1,236	8,042	5,216	303	1,092	3,601	473
Hillsboro, . . . . .	83	1,198	8,671	5,610	148	164	5,223	262
Springfield, . . . . .	63	1,125	8,481	5,346	221	1,072	3,512	412
Totals, 1899, . . . . .	358	5,626	41,947	25,614	1,745	4,218	15,375	1,885
Totals, 1898, . . . . .	360	5,583	42,046	26,156	1,298	5,755	13,301	2,406
Increase, . . . . .	.....	43	.....	.....	447	.....	2,074	.....
Decrease, . . . . .	2	.....	99	542	.....	1,537	.....	521

# GENERAL STATISTICS, No. III.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.						SUPPORT OF PRES'G ELDERS.		SUP-PORT OF BISHOPS		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders & Bishops.	Conference Claimants . . . . .	CURRENT EXPENSES.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Amount Paid. . . .	Amt't Ap-portioned.	Amount Paid. . . .			Amt't Ap-portioned.	Church: Sex-ton, Light, Fuel, etc.	S. S.: Lesson Leaves, etc.	
		Salary. .	House Rent. .	Total. .	Salary. .	House Rent. .	Total. .										
CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																	
Bond Hill & Pleas. Ridge,	T. D. Moore, . . . .	\$683	.....	\$683	\$683	.....	\$683	.....	\$28	\$28	\$3	\$714	\$10	\$189	\$85		
Carthage and Elmwood Place,	S. G. Pollard, . . . .	900	.....	900	900	.....	900	.....	20	20	5	925	10	350	90		
Cincinnati: Asbury, . . .	W. H. Spybey, . . . .	1200	.....	1200	1200	.....	1200	.....	55	54	15	1269	28	475	108		
Avondale, . . . . .	E. O. Buxton, . . . .	2000	\$720	2720	2000	\$720	2720	.....	165	165	25	2910	141	1500	180		
Christie, . . . . .	J. R. Colley, . . . .	1200	.....	1200	1238	.....	1238	Ex. \$38	55	55	10	1303	45	330	88		
Clifton, . . . . .	C. E. Schenk, . . . .	1000	420	1420	1000	420	1420	.....	46	40	18	1475	25	550	35		
Columbia, . . . . .	W. A. Deaton, . . . .	1000	300	1300	1000	300	1300	.....	32	32	10	1337	10	338	165		
Cumminsville, . . . .	William Runyan, . . .	1000	300	1300	1000	300	1300	.....	26	26	8	1332	24	355	175		
Delta Avenue, . . . .	D. J. Starr, . . . . .	800	.....	800	800	.....	800	.....	22	22	5	827	5	200	100		
East Pearl Street, . . .	J. T. Bail, . . . . .	300	.....	300	300	.....	300	.....	14	12	4	316	6	80	42		
Fairmount, . . . . .	F. M. Kirgan, . . . .	800	240	1040	800	240	1040	.....	28	25	2	1067	10	293	293		
Finley, . . . . .	J. A. Geissinger, . . .	600	.....	600	600	.....	600	.....	15	14	...	614	7	300	100		
Hopple Street, . . . .	C. T. Crum, . . . . .	600	.....	600	600	.....	600	.....	20	.....	8	605	5	100	80		
Linwood, . . . . .	C. L. Myers, . . . . .	600	.....	600	600	.....	600	.....	22	24	7	631	23	200	225		
McKendree, . . . . .	B. D. Hypes, . . . . .	1000	.....	1000	1000	.....	1000	.....	29	29	3	1032	5	200	60		
Mt. Auburn, . . . . .	R. J. Wyckoff, . . . .	1300	.....	1300	1300	.....	1300	.....	60	60	20	1380	79	1000	30		
Mt. Lookout, . . . . .	J. W. Gaddis, . . . .	1000	300	1300	1000	300	1300	.....	65	60	14	1374	50	400	170		
Price Hill, . . . . .	Sheridan Bell, . . . .	1200	.....	1200	1200	.....	1200	.....	55	55	15	1270	25	660	125		
Riverside, . . . . .	. . . . .	[200	.....	200	200	.....	200	.....	12	12	...	200	...	.....	20]		
St. John, . . . . .	. . . . .	168	.....	168	168	.....	168	.....	12	12	...	168	...	197	.....		
St. Paul, . . . . .	P. C. Curnick, . . . .	1500	1000	2500	1500	1000	2500	.....	135	135	25	2660	100	2000	200		
Trinity, . . . . .	W. A. Robinson, . . .	2100	.....	2100	2100	.....	2100	.....	128	128	30	2258	70	1800	200		
Walnut Hills, . . . .	G. W. Dubois, . . . .	2500	1000	3500	2500	1000	3500	.....	250	250	50	3800	175	1691	208		
Wesley Chapel, . . . .	Gervaise Roughton, .	1000	500	1500	1200	500	1700	Ex. 200	100	100	26	1826	141	1176	450		

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF PRES'G ELDERS.	SUP-PORT OF BISHOPS	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders & Bishops.	Conference Claim-ants. . . . .	CURRENT EXPENSES.			
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.					Amount Paid. . . .	Church: Sex-ton, Light, Fuel, etc.	S. S.: Lesson Leaves, etc.	
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.									
Cincinnati: Westwood, . . . . .	M. M. Kugler, . . . . .	\$1200	\$200	\$1400	\$1400	\$200	\$1600	Ex. \$200	\$70	\$70	\$20	\$20	\$1690	\$230	\$1200	\$100
York Street, . . . . .	Edward McHugh, . . . . .	1000	.....	1000	1000	.....	1000	.....	28	28	3	3	1031	10	320	100
Cleves, . . . . .	F. C. English, . . . . .	900	.....	900	900	.....	900	.....	24	24	6	2	926	5	217	107
Delhi, . . . . .	H. A. M. Henderson, . . . . .	1000	.....	1000	1000	.....	1000	.....	40	40	8	8	1048	33	200	165
Groesbeck, . . . . .	W. J. Dunham, . . . . .	725	.....	725	677	.....	677	48	24	24	4	4	705	4	125	53
Hartwell, . . . . .	W. H. Wehrly, . . . . .	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	.....	60	60	18	18	1478	25	700	160
Harrison, . . . . .	Henry Hershey, . . . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	... ..	28	21	...	...	721	.....	250	100
Lockland-Wyoming, . . . . .	E. T. Wells, . . . . .	1500	300	1800	1500	300	1800	.....	100	100	25	25	1925	135	925	166
Madisonville, . . . . .	J. L. Shively, . . . . .	1200	300	1500	1400	300	1700	Ex. 200	90	97	25	25	1822	145	735	90
Mt. Washington, . . . . .	S. B. Timmons, . . . . .	600	.....	550	550	.....	550	50	28	9	...	1	560	4	125	57
Newtown, . . . . .	L. M. Davis, . . . . .	600	120	720	550	120	670	50	32	29	10	8	707	12	150	60
Norwood: First Church, . . . . .	W. L. Y. Davis, . . . . .	1000	.....	1000	1000	.....	1000	.....	28	28	12	12	1040	15	300	120
Grace, . . . . .	M. E. Ketcham, . . . . .	1200	.....	1200	1200	.....	1200	.....	36	36	14	13	1249	34	185	125
Winton Place, . . . . .	A. B. Austin, . . . . .	800	300	1100	800	300	1100	.....	40	40	10	10	1150	55	175	52
Totals, . . . . .	. . . . .	38176	6300	44476	38666	6300	44966	Ex. 490	2000	1964	444	439	47345	1701	19991	4584
DAYTON DISTRICT.																
Bethany, . . . . .	J. A. Easton, . . . . .	700	75	775	700	75	775	100	54	46	10	5	826	10	175	50
Camden and Somerville, . . . . .	C. L. Chapman, . . . . .	500	100	600	513	100	613	Ex. 13	42	42	8	8	663	30	168	100
Centerville, . . . . .	Philip Trout, . . . . .	800	150	950	800	150	950	.....	66	66	8	4	1020	28	173	120
Concord, . . . . .	[J. F. Ziegler], . . . . .	700	75	775	600	75	675	100	54	46	10	5	726	2	175	36
Dayton: Broadway, . . . . .	Creighton Wones, . . . . .	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150	.....	83	83	13	13	1246	30	628	250
Grace, . . . . .	C. W. Gullette, . . . . .	2000	600	2600	2000	600	2600	.....	182	182	30	30	2712	152	2000	250
Riverdale, . . . . .	G. W. Vorhis, . . . . .	660	.....	660	660	.....	660	.....	30	30	8	5	695	10	313	41
Raper, . . . . .	J. J. McCabe, . . . . .	1450	300	1750	1450	300	1750	.....	122	122	23	23	1895	75	1165	315
St. Paul, . . . . .	J. G. Vaughan, . . . . .	1250	300	1550	1250	300	1550	.....	108	108	20	20	1678	50	500	300

Dayton: Trinity, . . . . .	J. P. Ninde, . . . . .	600	120	720	482	120	602	118	50	22	5	...	624	3	200	122
Eaton, . . . . .	L. E. Prentiss, . . . . .	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150	.....	80	80	16	16	1246	80	450	40
Ebenezer & Homestead Av.	O. P. Hoffman, . . . . .	500	100	600	500	100	600	.....	35	35	5	3	638	12	74	135
Fair Haven, . . . . .	I. R. Marshall, . . . . .	600	50	650	600	50	650	.....	45	45	9	9	704	22	110	30
Fort Jefferson, . . . . .	[Fee Naylor], . . . . .	450	50	500	446	50	496	4	42	42	8	8	545	5	75	135
Franklin, . . . . .	G. V. Morris, . . . . .	900	150	1050	950	150	1100	Ex. 50	70	70	13	13	1183	44	300	100
Germantown, . . . . .	H. L. Torbet, . . . . .	500	.....	500	500	.....	500	.....	31	31	6	6	537	10	95	90
Glendale and Pt. Union, .	W. M. Coffman, . . . . .	850	120	970	850	120	970	.....	64	64	...	9	1043	21	225	75
Gordon, . . . . .	J. A. Winkler, . . . . .	475	50	525	475	50	525	.....	38	38	7	7	570	14	162	83
Hamilton, . . . . .	J. W. Peters, . . . . .	1500	400	1900	1500	400	1900	.....	140	140	15	15	2055	30	800	300
Lewisburg, . . . . .	J. W. Patton, . . . . .	500	75	575	469	75	544	31	40	40	8	8	592	10	79	148
Miamisburg, . . . . .	J. E. Abrams, . . . . .	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	80	80	15	15	1295	55	390	150
Middletown, . . . . .	D. L. Aultman, . . . . .	1200	150	1350	1200	150	1350	.....	90	90	15	15	1455	25	950	122
Monroe, . . . . .	Andrew Hamilton, . . . .	800	125	925	800	125	925	.....	60	60	10	8	993	14	150	50
New Paris, . . . . .	L. O. Deputy, . . . . .	550	60	610	489	60	549	61	34	29	7	6	584	6	50	40
Osborn, . . . . .	W. M. Patton, . . . . .	600	110	710	586	110	696	14	50	45	...	2	743	10	200	220
Oxford, . . . . .	J. P. Porter, . . . . .	1100	150	1250	1100	150	1250	.....	89	89	15	15	1354	42	550	75
Red Lion & Merrittstown,	G. L. Tufts, . . . . .	575	75	650	530	75	605	45	40	40	8	3	648	7	95	35
Seven Mile, . . . . .	J. H. Lease, . . . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	.....	49	49	9	9	758	22	100	50
Springboro & Lytle town,	J. McK. Shultz, . . . . .	413	50	463	423	50	473	Ex. 10	35	35	7	5	513	6	100	70
Venice, . . . . .	O. D. Becker, . . . . .	600	50	650	600	50	650	.....	30	30	...	2	682	13	195	162
Walker & Union, . . . . .	[F. J. Reinbarth], . . . .	450	.....	450	450	.....	450	.....	36	36	2	2	488	2	80	25
West Alexandria, . . . . .	L. E. Prentiss, sup., . . .	400	.....	400	400	.....	400	.....	30	30	...	1	431	1	75	50
West Carrollton, . . . . .	A. K. Stabler, . . . . .	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	.....	52	52	10	10	1062	25	100	90
West Chester, . . . . .	J. A. Jenkinson, . . . . .	550	100	650	550	100	650	.....	42	42	8	...	692	5	100	50
West Elkton, . . . . .	Thomas Cundy, . . . . .	425	75	500	425	75	500	.....	33	33	...	4	537	4	100	60
Totals, . . . . .		26998	4460	31458	26698	4460	31158	300	2116	2072	328	304	33534	875	11102	3969
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.																
Aberdeen, . . . . .	C. W. Horn, . . . . .	625	100	725	625	100	725	.....	61	61	7	5	791	10	125	75
Amelia, . . . . .	A. L. Brokaw, . . . . .	650	100	750	615	100	715	35	65	62	8	8	785	20	150	135
Batavia, . . . . .	H. W. Bailey, . . . . .	800	120	920	800	120	920	.....	74	74	10	10	1004	26	200	136
Bethel, . . . . .	A. G. Newton, . . . . .	510	60	570	455	60	515	55	49	44	7	6	565	3	80	95
Butlerville, . . . . .	[W. R. Buckles], . . . . .	450	.....	450	393	.....	393	57	36	30	5	4	427	2	100	60
Centenary, . . . . .	W. D. English, . . . . .	500	50	550	500	50	550	.....	48	48	6	5	603	4	150	.....

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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF PRES'G ELDERS.		SUP-PORT OF BISHOPS		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, & Bishops.	Conference Claimants, . . . . .	CURRENT EXPENSES.	
		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't Apportioned.	Amount Paid . . .	Am't Apportioned.	Amount Paid . . .			S. S.: Lesson Leaves, etc.	Church: Session, Light, Fuel, etc. . .
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.									
Chilo, . . . . .	U. S. Brown, 9 mos., } H. E. Armacost, 3 mos., }	\$500	\$40	\$540	\$500	\$40	\$540	.....	\$48	\$48	\$5	\$5	\$593	.....	\$110	\$50
Decatur, . . . . .	T. G. Williams, . . .	600	75	675	500	75	575	\$100	51	46	6	6	627	\$10	110	100
Feesburg, . . . . .	C. H. Kalbfus, . . .	550	75	625	450	75	525	100	56	50	6	5	580	20	120	58
Felicity, . . . . .	G. B. Shanor, . . .	600	100	700	521	100	621	79	60	54	7	5	680	10	200	75
Georgetown, . . . . .	C. F. Enyart, . . .	700	100	800	700	100	800	.....	70	70	10	10	880	10	149	64
Goshen, . . . . .	J. H. McNary, . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	.....	65	65	5	5	770	25	100	150
Laurel, . . . . .	J. H. Davis, . . .	600	50	650	600	50	650	.....	57	57	6	6	713	19	150	61
Lebanon, . . . . .	Edmund Burdsall, . .	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	100	100	10	10	1310	* 45	397	88
Loveland, . . . . .	E. S. Gaddis, . . .	600	.....	600	582	.....	582	18	46	46	6	4	632	13	200	126
Maineville, . . . . .	G. M. Fulton, . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	.....	53	53	7	7	760	20	122	75
Manchester, . . . . .	W. J. Baker, . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	.....	52	52	.....	4	756	25	160	90
Marathon, . . . . .	W. S. Gray, . . .	500	60	560	500	60	560	.....	44	44	6	6	610	10	.....	70
Mason, . . . . .	W. A. Wiant, . . .	800	150	950	759	150	909	41	72	68	8	9	986	5	181	130
Milford, . . . . .	J. W. Mason, . . .	1100	150	1250	1100	150	1250	.....	111	111	12	12	1373	75	626	150
Montgomery, . . . . .	L. A. Washburn, . .	500	.....	500	383	.....	383	117	44	32	7	4	419	5	50	70
Morrow, . . . . .	W. E. Putt, . . .	600	100	700	650	100	750	Ex. 50	60	60	8	8	818	15	103	49
Moscow, . . . . .	J. D. Darling, . . .	602	72	674	630	72	702	Ex. 28	60	60	8	8	770	15	210	100
New Richmond, . . . . .	J. E. Beery, . . .	700	100	800	790	100	890	Ex. 90	54	54	8	2	946	5	208	90
Owensville, . . . . .	I. E. Price, . . .	650	100	750	650	100	750	.....	54	54	7	5	809	4	190	112
Ripley, . . . . .	D. C. Vance, . . .	850	150	1000	850	150	1000	.....	76	76	10	5	1081	15	455	111
South Lebanon, . . . . .	J. S. Whitney, . . .	600	100	700	.....	100	100	600	50	46	10	2	148	1	125	100
Summerside, . . . . .	W. E. Spurrier, . .	500	75	575	485	75	560	15	50	50	7	7	617	10	160	85
West Union, . . . . .	G. S. Easton, . . .	600	60	660	600	60	660	.....	57	57	.....	5	722	15	150	70
Williamsburg, . . . . .	E. T. Lane, . . .	600	100	700	600	100	700	.....	52	52	8	.....	752	32	125	70
Williamsburg Circuit, . .	(W. E. Shiver), . .	450	.....	450	450	.....	450	.....	40	40	8	8	498	1	126	125
Totals, . . . . .		19537	2587	22124	18488	2587	21075	1049	1815	1764	218	186	23025	470	5332	2770

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Belfast, . . . . .	D. A. McCollm, . . . . .	550	.....	550	484	.....	484	66	50	43	.....	4	531	4	150	80
Blanchester, . . . . .	C. H. Haines, . . . . .	800	100	900	800	100	900	.....	60	53	8	8	961	18	235	135
Bowersville, . . . . .	C. C. Peale, . . . . .	625	75	700	625	75	700	.....	50	50	9	8	784	22	135	68
Clarksville, . . . . .	J. S. Ruggles, . . . . .	550	100	650	550	100	650	.....	50	50	9	9	709	13	150	60
Dunkinsville, . . . . .	(W. O. Collins), . . . . .	400	.....	400	267	.....	267	133	28	18	4	2	287	.....	.....	.....
Greenfield, . . . . .	F. G. Mitchell, . . . . .	1500	240	1740	1500	240	1740	.....	111	111	21	21	1872	100	578	337
Hillsboro Circuit, . . . . .		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Highland, . . . . .	J. E. H. Sentman, . . . . .	750	100	850	676	100	776	74	59	53	11	9	838	20	155	114
Hillsboro, . . . . .	Marion LeSourd, . . . . .	1400	200	1600	1400	200	1600	.....	150	150	22	22	1772	104	575	150
Jamestown, . . . . .	U. G. Humphrey, . . . . .	900	120	1020	900	120	1020	.....	93	73	13	13	1106	72	216	101
Leesburg, . . . . .	H. C. Middleton, . . . . .	750	100	850	750	100	850	.....	63	63	9	9	922	28	150	95
Lynchburg, . . . . .	R. E. Smith, . . . . .	700	150	850	700	150	850	.....	63	63	10	10	923	30	200	150
Martinsville, . . . . .	J. F. McCollm, . . . . .	500	66	566	444	25	469	97	44	36	7	5	510	5	140	30
Mt. Orab, . . . . .	D. S. Ewry, . . . . .	600	100	700	585	100	685	15	52	47	8	5	737	13	160	120
New Burlington, . . . . .	R. K. Deem, . . . . .	800	100	900	800	100	900	.....	64	64	12	12	976	64	215	120
New Jasper, . . . . .	C. W. Briggs, . . . . .	700	100	800	700	100	800	.....	59	56	9	8	864	17	160	63
New Vienna, . . . . .	John Wilson, . . . . .	700	120	820	700	120	820	.....	59	59	9	9	888	25	200	75
Peebles, . . . . .	A. W. Hook, . . . . .	650	100	750	650	100	750	.....	59	59	9	9	818	11	195	65
Rainsboro, . . . . .	H. G. Curless, . . . . .	600	36	636	600	36	636	.....	52	52	8	8	696	30	145	100
Sabina, . . . . .	G. P. Austin, . . . . .	700	150	850	720	150	870	Ex. 20	64	64	12	12	946	20	150	100
Sinking Spring, . . . . .	J. L. Duckwall, . . . . .	500	50	550	466	50	516	34	44	44	7	7	567	18	100	40
Sugar Tree Ridge, . . . . .	W. B. Brown, . . . . .	600	.....	600	600	.....	600	.....	45	45	7	7	652	15	350	150
Union, . . . . .	J. A. White, . . . . .	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	.....	66	66	12	12	1078	64	200	150
Waynesville, . . . . .	A. T. Cowgill, . . . . .	800	150	950	800	150	950	.....	66	66	8	8	1024	18	135	80
Wilnington, . . . . .	John Pearson, 8 mos., } D. W. Clark, 4 mos., }	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	.....	84	84	13	13	1297	80	394	117
Winchester, . . . . .	G. H. Smith, . . . . .	700	100	800	700	100	800	.....	60	60	9	9	869	43	165	121
Xenia: First Church, . . . . .	A. C. Turrell, . . . . .	1500	300	1800	1500	300	1800	.....	126	126	24	24	1950	90	1100	100
Trinity, . . . . .	C. M. Van Pelt, . . . . .	1200	300	1500	1200	300	1500	.....	95	95	20	20	1615	60	475	130
Totals, . . . . .		21275	3257	24532	20917	3216	24133	399	1796	1745	290	283	26161	984	6828	2851
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SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																
Arcanum, . . . . .	L. E. Linzell, . . . . .	700	100	800	700	100	800	.....	61	61	9	1	862	12	225	100
Brandt, . . . . .	E. L. Hollingsworth	400	100	500	400	100	500	.....	35	35	5	...	535	1	121	62
Catawba, . . . . .	S. W. Campbell, . . . . .	750	150	900	720	150	870	30	65	65	9	9	944	25	200	100



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		CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid. . .	Amount Paid . . .	Amount Apportioned.			Church: Sex-ton, Light, Fuel, etc. . .	S. S.: Lesson Leaves, etc.
		Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.									
Cedarville, . . . . .	A. D. Maddox, . . . .	\$700	\$150	\$850	\$673	\$150	\$823	\$27	\$40	\$40	\$9	\$8	\$871	\$15	\$125	\$100
Christiansburg, . . . .	W. L. Spence, . . . .	500	60	560	500	60	560	.....	35	35	8	6	601	6	75	35
Covington, . . . . .	G. L. Travis, . . . .	475	100	575	443	100	543	32	25	25	5	5	573	15	87	91
Dialton, . . . . .	R. S. McColm, . . . .	650	100	750	650	100	750	.....	45	45	10	10	805	22	150	100
Greenville, . . . . .	C. L. Conger, . . . .	1050	200	1250	1050	200	1250	.....	85	85	8	8	1343	25	653	124
King's Creek, . . . . .	(J. G. Talbott), . . .	345	.....	345	268	.....	268	77	15	14	.....	.....	282	4	.....	.....
Mechanicsburg, . . . .	A. N. Spahr, . . . .	900	200	1100	900	200	1100	.....	76	76	13	13	1189	47	540	119
Mutual, . . . . .	J. L. Dalbey, . . . .	600	75	675	600	75	675	.....	35	35	10	10	720	15	300	52
New Carlisle, . . . . .	C. L. Mackey, . . . .	685	100	785	588	100	688	97	65	38	9	2	728	10	175	51
New Moorefield, . . . .	J. F. Laird, . . . .	630	100	730	630	100	730	.....	60	60	10	8	798	20	215	80
Piqua: Grace, . . . . .	O. M. Sellers, . . . .	800	200	1000	800	200	1000	.....	50	50	10	5	1055	20	225	120
Greene Street, . . . . .	H. D. Ketcham, . . .	1600	400	2000	1600	400	2000	.....	140	140	20	20	2160	85	949	212
South Charleston, . . . .	J. S. Pumphrey, . . .	850	150	1000	850	150	1000	.....	75	75	12	12	1087	34	215	83
South Charleston Circuit,	D. W. C. Washburn, .	700	.....	700	650	.....	650	50	40	24	.....	.....	674	3	200	100
Springfield: Central, . .	V. F. Brown, . . . .	1600	400	2000	1600	400	2000	.....	135	135	20	20	2155	62	820	198
Clifton Avenue, . . . .	C. D. Munsey, . . . .	650	115	765	635	115	750	15	20	20	.....	5	775	19	200	100
Grace, . . . . .	E. M. Ellsworth, . . .	700	.....	700	700	.....	700	.....	20	20	1	1	721	8	150	115
High Street, . . . . .	J. A. Story, . . . .	1600	600	2200	1600	600	2200	.....	135	135	20	20	2355	100	1230	260
St. Paul, . . . . .	J. W. Magruder, . . .	1600	400	2000	1600	400	2000	.....	135	135	20	20	2155	50	1048	126
Tiptecanoe City, . . . .	J. R. Hill, . . . .	600	125	725	600	125	725	.....	40	40	8	8	773	10	200	35
Tremont City, . . . . .	Frank Leever, . . . .	750	96	846	750	96	846	.....	61	61	10	10	917	37	300	100
Troy, . . . . .	S. O. Royal, . . . .	1400	250	1650	1400	250	1650	.....	115	115	20	20	1785	102	350	200
Troy Circuit, . . . . .	(S. A. Keen), . . . .	700	100	800	663	100	763	37	40	40	9	9	812	20	106	60
Urbana: First Church, . .	M. B. Fuller, . . . .	1200	400	1600	1200	400	1600	.....	130	130	12	12	1742	96	950	175
Grace, . . . . .	E. H. Cherington, . .	1200	300	1500	1200	300	1500	.....	120	120	12	12	1632	96	700	225
Yellow Springs, . . . .	C. W. Elliott, . . . .	675	100	775	685	100	785	Ex. 10	55	55	9	9	849	26	142	114
Totals, . . . . .		25010	5071	30081	24655	5071	29726	355	1953	1909	288	263	31898	985	10651	3237

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

NAME OF DISTRICTS.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT.							SUPPORT OF PRESIDING ELDERS.		SUPPORT OF BISHOPS.		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders & Bishops.	Conference Claimants . . . . .	CURRENT EXPENSES.	
	CLAIMS.			RECEIPTS.			Deficiencies.	Am't Apportioned.	Amount Paid . . .	Am't Apportioned.	Amount Paid . . .			Church: Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc. .	S. S.: Lesson Leaves, etc.
	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.	Salary.	House Rent.	Total.									
Cincinnati, . . .	\$38,176	\$6,300	\$44,476	\$38,666	\$6,300	\$44,966	Ex. \$490	\$2,000	\$1,964	\$444	\$439	\$47,345	\$1,701	\$19,991	\$4,584
Dayton, . . . . .	26,998	4,460	31,458	26,698	4,460	31,158	300	2,126	2,072	328	304	33,534	875	11,102	3,969
Georgetown, . . .	19,537	2,587	22,124	18,488	2,587	21,075	1,049	1,815	1,764	218	186	23,025	470	5,333	2,770
Hillsboro, . . . .	21,275	3,257	24,532	20,917	3,216	24,133	339	1,796	1,745	290	283	26,161	984	6,828	2,851
Springfield, . . .	25,010	5,071	30,081	24,655	5,071	29,726	355	1,953	1,909	288	263	31,898	985	10,651	3,237
Totals, . . . . .	130,996	21,675	152,671	129,424	21,634	151,018	1,613	9,690	9,454	1,568	1,475	161,763	5,015	53,905	17,411
Totals, 1898, . .	129,956	22,229	152,185	125,928	22,229	148,057	3,308	9,670	9,339	1,668	1,474	158,865	4,786	49,039	16,756
Increase, . . .	1,040	.....	486	4,496	.....	3,001	.....	20	115	.....	1	2,898	229	4,866	655
Decrease, . . .	.....	554	.....	.....	595	.....	1,695	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

# GENERAL STATISTICS, No. IV.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																	
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension . . .	Sunday-school Union.	Tract Society.	Freedom's Aid & South. Ed. Soc. . .	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss. Society. . . .	Woman's Home Miss. Society. . . .	Total Other Benevolent Collections..	General Conf. Expenses, .	Conference Claimants. .	Episcopal Fund. . . .	Christ's Hos-pital . . . .	Missionary Debt. . . .
	Church..	Sunday-school..	Total. . .					Public Edu'nal Collec'n	Child'n's Fund. .									
CINCINNATI DISTRICT.																		
Bond Hill and Pleasant Ridge, .	\$4	\$26	\$30	\$4	\$1	..	\$4	.....	\$2	..	\$15	.....	\$4	\$1	\$10	\$3	\$4	.....
Carthage and Elmwood Place, .	6	14	20	4	1	\$1	3	\$1	2	\$2	52	.....	13	4	10	5	13	.....
Cincinnati: Asbury, . . . . .	54	40	94	24	5	5	23	5	.....	5	31	\$35	68	..	28	15	29	.....
Avondale, . . . . .	329	140	469	85	20	17	179	20	6	25	547	288	3,893	..	141	25	445	\$705
Christie, . . . . .	70	20	90	6	1	1	37	7	.....	2	47	203	104	3	45	10	8	.....
Clifton, . . . . .	81	14	95	9	5	1	10	3	6	5	204	13	240	5	25	15	12	35
Columbia, . . . . .	35	40	75	8	1	1	2	.....	1	..	52	.....	25	..	10	5	15	.....
Cuminsville, . . . . .	28	20	48	5	1	1	22	2	3	..	50	.....	139	..	24	6	.....	.....
Delta Avenue, . . . . .	.....	50	50	5	1	1	10	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	..	5	5	.....	.....
East Pearl Street, . . . . .	10	.....	10	1	..	1	2	1	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	..	6	4	.....	.....
Fairmount, . . . . .	5	20	25	10	..	..	1	.....	.....	..	51	.....	.....	..	10	2	.....	.....
Finley, . . . . .	15	10	25	.....	..	..	10	.....	3	..	.....	.....	5	..	7	..	5	.....
Hopple Street, . . . . .	18	22	40	2	2	2	5	5	7	1	41	1	15	2	5	5	2	.....
Linwood, . . . . .	43	17	60	3	..	4	10	.....	.....	3	5	27	2	..	23	7	2	.....
McKendree, . . . . .	12	28	40	1	1	1	1	.....	11	..	13	.....	11	1	5	3	1	.....
Mt. Auburn, . . . . .	130	50	180	23	3	5	30	10	15	5	129	115	167	8	79	20	66	20
Mt. Lookout, . . . . .	90	60	150	20	1	1	54	6	2	5	240	171	105	5	50	14	40	25
Price Hill, . . . . .	76	16	92	10	3	3	60	.....	10	3	84	130	398	..	25	15	10	20
Riverside, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....
St. John, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	..	.....	.....
St. Paul, . . . . .	252	73	325	25	3	2	25	5	.....	10	238	413	319	25	100	25	50	20
Trinity, . . . . .	170	30	200	10	2	2	43	2	.....	2	469	102	1,496	2	70	30	1,243	.....
Walnut Hills, . . . . .	509	503	1,012	112	17	16	144	26	9	61	825	826	520	..	175	50	95	113
Wesley Chapel, . . . . .	702	312	1,014	102	15	20	102	29	18	20	296	20	1,657	26	141	26	60	.....

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Cincinnati: Westwood, . . . . .	916	30	946	281	58	66	452	54	62	112	132	10	2,179	...	230	20	690	590
York Street, . . . . .	7	18	25	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	41	39	1	...	10	3	1	.....
Cleves, . . . . .	25	.....	25	2	...	...	3	1	.....	2	18	.....	35	...	5	2	.....	5
Delhi, . . . . .	47	17	64	4	1	1	7	1	5	...	58	34	25	...	33	8	25	.....
Groesbeck, . . . . .	20	5	25	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	4	4	1	.....
Hartwell, . . . . .	81	47	128	10	1	1	10	.....	13	1	109	121	93	5	25	18	44	.....
Harrison, . . . . .	15	.....	15	.....	...	...	5	.....	.....	...	50	.....	12	.....	.....	...	12	.....
Lackland-Wyoming, . . . . .	506	74	580	87	1	1	160	.....	6	3	466	.....	757	...	135	25	400	.....
Madisonville, . . . . .	190	150	340	33	5	5	40	6	6	5	250	.....	194	...	145	25	162	5
Mount Washington, . . . . .	10	16	26	.....	...	...	.....	1	5	...	.....	.....	.....	...	4	1	.....	.....
Newtown, . . . . .	29	11	40	9	1	1	6	.....	3	1	81	.....	20	...	12	8	10	10
Norwood: First Church, . . . . .	30	43	73	16	1	1	2	.....	3	1	113	.....	21	...	15	12	5	.....
Grace, . . . . .	46	61	107	14	4	3	17	.....	4	5	1	132	150	5	34	13	25	.....
Winton Place, . . . . .	110	1	111	14	1	1	8	6	9	5	72	115	23	10	55	10	23	.....
Totals, . . . . .	4,671	1,978	6,649	944	159	167	1,492	194	214	288	4,783	2,797	12,692	104	1,701	439	3,486	1,535
DAYTON DISTRICT.																		
Bethany, . . . . .	220	5	225	3	1	1	3	.....	2	...	27	.....	19	...	10	5	14	5
Camden and Somerville, . . . . .	65	15	80	15	3	2	15	2	13	3	13	.....	6	2	30	8	4	2
Centerville, . . . . .	90	42	132	8	1	1	4	.....	4	2	36	.....	35	...	28	4	.....	.....
Concord, . . . . .	2	.....	2	2	1	1	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	...	2	2	.....	.....
Dayton: Broadway, . . . . .	180	77	257	1	2	2	12	4	11	2	103	190	29	13	30	13	4	20
Grace, . . . . .	386	114	500	10	5	5	20	.....	22	19	166	192	.....	...	152	30	.....	.....
Riverdale, . . . . .	15	25	40	.....	1	1	6	.....	2	9	.....	6	17	2	10	5	.....	10
Raper, . . . . .	187	244	431	.....	5	5	126	10	10	20	194	373	44	...	75	23	.....	.....
St. Paul, . . . . .	150	100	250	.....	5	5	20	30	5	5	230	142	260	...	50	20	.....	.....
Trinity, . . . . .	9	.....	9	.....	...	...	1	.....	2	7	.....	.....	.....	...	3	...	.....	.....
Eaton, . . . . .	170	40	210	25	3	3	25	35	5	6	62	136	66	...	80	16	22	.....
Ebenezer and Homestead Ave., . . . . .	30	5	35	.....	2	2	8	.....	3	1	.....	.....	14	...	12	3	.....	7
Fair Haven, . . . . .	83	7	90	10	1	1	10	1	3	1	.....	.....	37	2	22	9	22	.....
Fort Jefferson, . . . . .	67	3	70	3	1	1	4	.....	3	...	.....	.....	.....	...	5	8	.....	.....
Franklin, . . . . .	68	22	90	8	1	1	34	.....	6	2	63	108	50	...	44	13	10	.....
Germanantown, . . . . .	30	20	50	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	...	10	6	.....	.....
Glendale and Port Union, . . . . .	43	17	60	19	2	2	15	.....	10	1	.....	.....	24	...	21	9	4	20
Gordon, . . . . .	68	32	100	15	2	2	18	.....	10	...	.....	.....	18	2	14	7	.....	18

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.															
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension . . . .	Sunday-school Union.	Tract Society.	Freemen's Aid & South Ed. Soc. . .	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss. Society . . .	Woman's Home Miss. Society . . .	Total Other Benevolent Collections..	General Conf. Expenses .	Conference Claimants . .	Episcopal Fund . . . .
	Church .	Sunday-school .	Total . .					Public Edu'nal Collec'n	Child'n's Fund..							
Hamilton, . . . . .	\$47	\$60	\$107	\$25	\$2	\$2	\$28	\$10	..	\$5	\$161	\$99	\$70	..	\$30	\$70
Lewisburg, . . . . .	20	.....	20	8	1	..	10	.....	\$2	1	.....	15	22	..	10	2
Miamisburg, . . . . .	182	75	257	10	2	2	25	.....	20	6	72	78	16	\$3	55	.....
Middletown, . . . . .	56	30	86	25	2	2	26	.....	4	14	37	206	5	..	25	5
Monroe, . . . . .	29	16	45	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	.....	122	..	14	12
New Paris, . . . . .	15	.....	15	1	..	..	5	1	1	..	.....	.....	2	..	6	2
Osborn, . . . . .	20	15	35	2	1	1	2	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	2	10	2
Oxford, . . . . .	105	16	121	16	5	4	15	5	5	9	75	176	40	..	42	25
Red Lion and Merrittstown, . .	12	13	25	4	..	..	6	.....	2	..	.....	.....	10	..	7	.....
Seven Mile, . . . . .	40	20	60	11	1	2	15	1	3	11	.....	.....	..	..	22	.....
Springboro and Lytle town, . .	21	4	25	3	1	1	3	1	2	1	.....	26	.....	..	6	.....
Venice, . . . . .	40	5	45	2	1	1	3	.....	4	..	.....	.....	9	2	13	9
Walker and Union, . . . . .	14	6	20	2	1	1	1	2	4	..	.....	.....	30	..	2	.....
West Alexandria, . . . . .	3	.....	3	.....	..	..	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....	20	..	1	.....
West Carrollton, . . . . .	77	3	80	20	2	2	20	5	.....	2	95	.....	76	5	25	21
West Chester, . . . . .	17	3	20	.....	..	..	2	.....	4	..	.....	1	.....	..	5	.....
West Elkton, . . . . .	7	3	10	.....	..	..	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....	5	..	4	.....
Totals, . . . . .	2,566	1,039	3,605	250	57	55	489	109	167	131	1,336	1,748	1,048	33	875	301
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.																
Aberdeen, . . . . .	30	10	40	2	1	1	2	2	.....	1	.....	.....	20	5	10	.....
Amelia, . . . . .	35	40	75	5	1	1	2	.....	5	1	.....	.....	30	2	20	.....
Batavia, . . . . .	45	15	60	3	1	1	4	1	2	1	9	.....	156	2	26	38
Bethel, . . . . .	40	5	45	5	1	1	2	2	1	2	.....	.....	12	5	3	12
Rutlerville, . . . . .	8	2	10	2	1	1	2	2	6	1	.....	.....	2	1	2	2
Centenary, . . . . .	20	.....	20	4	1	1	4	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	..	4	.....

¶ \$100 additional for Christ's Hospital from H. C. Goodwin, Bethel.

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Chilo, . . . . .	15	5	20	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	3	...	.....	5	3	.....	
Decatur, . . . . .	95	5	100	7	1	1	7	2	3	1	10	.....	8	7	10	6	8	.....
Feesburg, . . . . .	35	.....	35	5	1	1	5	2	5	1	.....	.....	.....	...	20	5	.....	
Felicity, . . . . .	20	10	30	2	1	1	3	.....	5	1	12	.....	.....	7	10	5	.....	
Georgetown, . . . . .	68	17	85	10	1	1	9	2	9	2	25	.....	25	5	10	10	5	20
Goshen, . . . . .	75	25	100	5	1	1	3	2	.....	1	2	.....	20	5	25	5	20	.....
Laurel, . . . . .	40	27	67	12	1	2	12	7	8	1	.....	.....	20	...	19	6	20	.....
Lebanon, . . . . .	100	40	140	12	3	3	18	2	5	7	108	5	27	...	45	10	27	.....
Loveland, . . . . .	48	54	102	15	4	4	15	5	7	5	5	.....	10	2	13	4	5	5
Maineville, . . . . .	28	12	40	1	1	1	1	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....	5	20	7	.....	.....
Manchester, . . . . .	63	18	81	5	...	...	7	15	11	...	21	1	12	3	25	5	.....	.....
Marathon, . . . . .	43	.....	43	1	1	1	2	.....	3	1	27	.....	30	2	10	6	20	10
Mason, . . . . .	30	14	44	3	...	...	2	.....	2	1	.....	.....	17	...	5	9	.....	15
Milford, . . . . .	165	25	190	20	2	2	20	6	4	2	46	24	35	6	75	12	35	.....
Montgomery, . . . . .	10	.....	10	2	...	...	4	1	1	...	.....	.....	.....	3	5	4	.....	.....
Morrow, . . . . .	51	24	75	8	2	1	10	.....	8	...	2	.....	1	...	15	8	.....	.....
Moscow, . . . . .	65	10	75	12	2	1	6	3	7	1	.....	.....	5	7	15	8	5	.....
New Richmond, . . . . .	33	7	40	2	...	...	1	2	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	2	5	2	.....	.....
Owensville, . . . . .	32	4	36	3	1	1	1	1	5	...	.....	.....	2	2	4	5	2	.....
Ripley, . . . . .	66	25	91	3	1	1	1	2	.....	1	10	10	1	...	15	5	†1	.....
South Lebanon, . . . . .	8	4	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	...	.....	.....	.....	...	1	...	.....	.....
Summerside, . . . . .	†*60	20	80	7	1	1	7	1	4	1	.....	.....	.....	6	10	7	.....	.....
West Union, . . . . .	48	4	52	3	1	1	2	.....	11	...	9	.....	16	...	15	5	16	.....
Williamsburg, . . . . .	75	25	100	4	2	1	13	5	9	3	74	.....	8	...	32	...	8	.....
Williamsburg Circuit, . . . . .	5	.....	5	.....	1	...	5	1	.....	1	1	1	.....	1	1	...	.....	.....
Totals, . . . . .	1,456	447	1,903	163	33	31	170	66	130	38	361	41	460	78	470	177	†207	90
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.																		
Belfast, . . . . .	31	4	35	.....	...	...	.....	.....	4	...	.....	1	.....	2	4	4	.....	.....
Blanchester, . . . . .	38	30	68	6	2	3	6	.....	3	3	.....	.....	2	...	18	8	2	.....
Bowersville, . . . . .	84	41	125	20	2	2	20	.....	22	2	.....	.....	69	5	22	8	55	.....
Centerfield, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....

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 ‡ The gift last year of \$1,000 for Missions by J. W. Pittinger, of Decatur, was by oversight omitted from the Minutes. Mrs. Morrison, of Decatur, gives \$100 as an installment on a \$1,000 annuity to the Missionary Society.

\*\$21 from Robertson Fund. †\$2 from T. H. and Julia Shinn for G. S. Miner, Foochow, China. ‡\$50 additional from Ripley for Christ's Hospital.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																		
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension. . . .	Sunday-school Union. . . .	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid & South- Ed. Soc. . .	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Miss- Society. . .	Woman's Home Miss- Society. . .	Total Other Benevolent Collections. .	General Conf. Expenses. .	Conference Claimants. .	Episcopal Fund. . . .	Christ's Hos- pital, . . . .	Missionary Debt. . . .	
	Church. .	Sunday- school. .	Total. .					Public Educ'n Collec'n	Child'n's Fund. .										
Clarksville, . . . . .	\$39	\$13	\$52	\$8	\$1	\$1	\$12	.....	\$5	\$2	\$13	.....	.....	..	\$13	\$9	.....	.....	
Dunkinsville, . . . . .	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	
Greenfield, . . . . .	201	107	308	18	10	9	20	\$8	7	9	108	\$93	\$201	\$18	100	21	\$125	\$1	
Hillsboro Circuit, . . . . .	2	.....	2	.....	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Highland, . . . . .	84	31	115	6	1	1	6	1	4	1	106	.....	.....	..	20	9	.....	.....	
Hillsboro, . . . . .	250	150	400	34	5	4	35	5	5	10	153	195	220	17	104	22	160	.....	
Jamestown, . . . . .	235	100	335	50	4	4	50	.....	7	5	74	.....	*577	10	72	13	8	.....	
Leesburg, . . . . .	22	28	50	8	2	2	15	2	22	3	62	7	27	..	28	9	27	.....	
Lynchburg, . . . . .	90	22	112	8	1	1	7	.....	2	2	46	.....	.....	5	30	10	.....	.....	
Martinsville, . . . . .	24	20	44	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	.....	.....	100	4	5	5	100	.....	
Mt. Orab, . . . . .	36	4	40	.....	1	1	.....	5	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	5	13	5	.....	.....	
New Burlington, . . . . .	225	10	235	30	3	3	30	3	7	3	12	.....	.....	..	64	12	.....	.....	
New Jasper, . . . . .	76	20	96	8	3	3	7	6	14	3	3	.....	8	8	17	8	8	.....	
New Vienna, . . . . .	100	10	110	5	1	1	5	6	7	3	99	.....	15	8	25	9	5	10	
Peebles, . . . . .	44	20	64	8	1	1	10	3	5	1	16	.....	6	5	11	9	5	.....	
Rainsboro, . . . . .	105	25	130	12	2	2	30	2	5	2	6	.....	.....	7	30	8	.....	.....	
Sabina, . . . . .	38	32	70	5	1	1	5	.....	11	4	.....	.....	15	2	20	12	15	.....	
Sinking Spring, . . . . .	75	15	90	4	1	1	3	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	6	18	7	.....	.....	
Sugar Tree Ridge, . . . . .	47	13	60	.....	..	..	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	..	15	7	.....	.....	
Union, . . . . .	144	38	182	30	3	2	27	.....	25	7	57	.....	.....	12	64	12	.....	.....	
Waynesville, . . . . .	55	15	70	1	1	1	2	2	.....	2	44	.....	.....	5	18	8	.....	.....	
Wilmington, . . . . .	228	72	300	29	2	2	31	9	.....	6	365	.....	.....	12	80	13	.....	.....	
Winchester, . . . . .	110	10	120	9	1	1	9	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	13	4	43	9	13	.....	
Xenia—First Church, . . . . .	344	126	470	42	5	5	40	5	11	20	69	51	15	10	90	24	15	.....	
Trinity, . . . . .	155	50	205	16	2	1	16	.....	5	10	86	137	.....	15	60	20	.....	.....	
Totals, . . . . .	2,885	1,006	3,891	359	56	53	388	59	174	102	1,319	484	1,268	160	984	284	538	11	

\* Includes special gift of \$500 for Home for Aged by Mrs. Thirza A. Baker.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																			
Arcanum, . . . . .	70	25	95	5	...	...	9	4	.....	...	33	.....	6	...	12	1	6	.....	
Brandt, . . . . .	40	.....	40	1	1	1	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	...	1	...	.....	.....	
Catawba, . . . . .	85	20	105	6	1	1	5	.....	10	1	10	.....	32	5	25	9	22	10	
Cedarville, . . . . .	43	9	52	4	1	1	4	2	.....	2	9	.....	4	15	8	.....	.....	.....	
Christiansburg, . . . . .	70	6	76	2	...	...	2	.....	2	...	10	.....	5	5	6	6	.....	5	
Covington, . . . . .	15	15	30	5	2	1	5	.....	3	5	7	.....	5	...	15	5	3	2	
Dialton, . . . . .	107	10	117	3	1	1	1	.....	.....	...	10	.....	52	5	22	10	2	20	
Greenville, . . . . .	54	10	64	4	2	2	5	3	3	2	25	14	100	...	25	8	18	.....	
King's Creek, . . . . .	6	.....	6	1	...	...	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	4	...	.....	.....	
Mechanicsburg, . . . . .	105	100	205	10	2	2	10	2	4	2	40	25	20	...	47	13	10	10	
Mutual, . . . . .	55	20	75	6	2	1	6	2	15	1	.....	.....	3	8	15	10	3	.....	
New Carlisle, . . . . .	27	20	47	2	...	...	2	.....	3	...	.....	.....	.....	...	10	2	.....	.....	
New Moorefield, . . . . .	69	6	75	5	1	...	3	.....	5	...	.....	.....	10	5	20	8	.....	.....	
Piqua: Grace, . . . . .	66	34	100	10	3	3	10	5	15	11	50	41	19	5	20	5	.....	.....	
Greene Street, . . . . .	324	86	410	35	2	6	55	5	4	62	180	261	77	12	85	20	32	45	
South Charleston, . . . . .	124	26	†150	14	2	2	24	2	7	2	15	8	35	13	34	12	22	.....	
South Charleston Circuit, . . . . .	12	6	18	.....	2	...	2	.....	8	...	.....	.....	.....	...	3	...	.....	.....	
Springfield: Central, . . . . .	218	135	353	31	7	8	32	12	25	8	140	168	40	...	62	20	.....	.....	
Clifton Ave., . . . . .	20	48	68	9	2	2	5	2	11	2	.....	.....	.....	...	19	5	.....	.....	
Grace, . . . . .	14	7	21	3	...	...	1	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	...	8	1	.....	.....	
High Street, . . . . .	385	100	485	30	5	5	30	.....	11	5	166	296	325	15	100	20	25	.....	
St. Paul, . . . . .	188	63	251	41	1	1	41	2	3	1	52	130	158	26	50	20	1	.....	
Tippecanoe City, . . . . .	33	27	60	5	1	1	5	.....	6	1	4	.....	11	3	10	8	11	.....	
Tremont City, . . . . .	77	10	87	8	1	...	5	.....	5	1	.....	.....	127	13	37	10	2	25	
Troy, . . . . .	258	150	408	38	2	2	46	.....	182	27	83	194	129	...	102	20	129	.....	
Troy Circuit, . . . . .	60	5	65	8	1	1	9	8	30	1	.....	.....	.....	...	20	9	.....	.....	
Urbana: First Church, . . . . .	300	117	417	20	5	5	*20	.....	13	5	155	126	112	10	96	12	18	.....	
Grace, . . . . .	315	37	352	25	5	5	25	5	5	3	58	140	10	14	96	12	10	.....	
Yellow Springs, . . . . .	68	28	96	10	1	1	10	.....	1	1	36	44	.....	5	26	9	.....	.....	
Totals, . . . . .	3,208	1,120	4,328	341	53	52	374	55	374	144	1,083	1,447	1,276	148	985	263	314	117	

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\* Annuity paid by Mrs. W. B. Jackson, \$1,400.

† 5,000 additional in property from Laban W. Haughey.

General Statistics.



### RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																	
	MISSIONS.			Board of Church Ex- tension . . .	Sunday- school Union.	Tract Society.	Freedmen's Aid & South- ern Ed. Soc.	EDUCATION.		American Bible Society.	Woman's Foreign Mis- sionary Soc.	Woman's Home Miss. Society. . . .	Total Other Benevolent Collections. .	General Conf. Expenses, .	Conference Claimants. .	Episcopal Fund. . . .	Christ's Hos- pital, . . . .	Missionary Debt, . . . .
	Church. .	Sunday- School. .	Total. .					Public Educ'nal Collect'n	Childr'n's Fund. .									
Cincinnati, . .	\$4,671	\$1,978	\$6,649	\$944	\$159	\$167	\$1,492	\$194	\$214	\$288	\$1,783	\$2,797	\$12,692	\$104	\$1,701	\$439	\$3,486	\$1,560
Dayton, . . . .	2,566	1,039	3,605	250	57	55	489	109	167	131	1,336	1,748	1,048	33	875	301	228	147
Georgetown, . .	1,456	447	1,903	163	33	31	170	66	130	38	361	41	460	78	470	177	207	90
Hillsboro, . . .	2,885	1,006	3,891	359	56	53	388	59	174	102	1,319	484	1,268	160	984	284	538	11
Springfield, . .	3,208	1,120	4,328	341	53	52	374	55	374	144	1,083	1,447	1,276	148	985	263	314	117
Totals, 1899, .	14,786	5,590	20,376	2,057	358	358	2,913	483	1,059	703	8,882	6,517	16,744	523	5,015	1,464	4,773	1,925
Totals, 1898, .	14,456	5,030	19,486	2,187	543	354	2,779	509	994	641	12,688	6,129	9,367	.....	4,952	1,475	3,825	2,051
Increase, .	330	560	890	.....	.....	4	134	.....	65	62	.....	388	7,377	.....	63	.....	948	.....
Decrease, .	.....	.....	.....	130	185	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	3,806	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	126

## CIRCUIT SALARY REPORT.

N. B.—The name of the charge is in SMALL CAPS, and the sums opposite each appointment indicate the amount apportioned and paid on pastor's salary.

APPOINTMENTS.	Apportioned.	Paid.....	APPOINTMENTS.	Apportioned.	Paid.....
<b>CINCINNATI DISTRICT.</b>			<b>DAYTON—Continued.</b>		
BOND HILL, . . . . .	\$387	\$383	Princeton, . . . . .	\$100	\$100
Pleasant Ridge, . . . . .	300	300	GORDON, . . . . .	222	222
CARTHAGE, . . . . .	400	420	West Baltimore, . . . . .	148	148
Elinwood Place, . . . . .	500	480	West Sonora, . . . . .	37	37
CLEVES, . . . . .	600	600	Pittsburg, . . . . .	56	56
Addyston, . . . . .	300	300	LEWISBURG, . . . . .	335	304
GROESBECK, . . . . .	300	300	Pymont, . . . . .	60	60
Asbury, . . . . .	125	107	Brookville, . . . . .	105	105
Dent, . . . . .	150	120	MONROE, . . . . .	700	700
Ebenezer, . . . . .	150	150	Amanda, . . . . .	100	100
HARRISON, . . . . .			NEW PARIS, . . . . .	370	370
Miami, . . . . .	150	150	Gettysburg, . . . . .	120	84
Mt. Hope, . . . . .	100	100	New Hope, . . . . .	60	35
NEWTOWN, . . . . .			OSBORN, . . . . .	215	228
Armstrong Chapel, . . . . .	212	192	Medway, . . . . .	150	150
Camp Dennison, . . . . .	157	157	Enon, . . . . .	100	133
Madeira, . . . . .	137	107	Fairfield, . . . . .	130	75
<b>DAYTON DISTRICT.</b>			<b>RED LION AND MERRITTSTOWN:</b>		
CAMDEN AND SOMERVILLE:			Red Lion, . . . . .	500	475
Camden, . . . . .	\$300	\$300	Merrittstown, . . . . .	75	55
Somerville, . . . . .	200	213	SEVEN MILE, . . . . .	425	425
CENTERVILLE, . . . . .	590	590	Darrrtown, . . . . .	175	175
Bellebrook, . . . . .	210	210	<b>SPRINGBORO AND LYTLE:</b>		
CONCORD CIRCUIT:			Springboro, . . . . .	300	300
Concord, . . . . .	150	150	Lytle, . . . . .	113	123
Union, . . . . .	75	70	VENICE, . . . . .	75	75
Bethany, . . . . .	75	47	Washington, . . . . .	160	160
West Milton, . . . . .	150	128	New Haven, . . . . .	160	160
EBENEZER AND HOME-			Okeana, . . . . .	203	203
STEAD AVENUE:			<b>WALKER AND UNION:</b>		
Ebenezer, . . . . .	350	350	Walker, . . . . .	225	225
Homestead Avenue, . . . . .	250	250	Union, . . . . .	225	225
FAIR HAVEN, . . . . .	400	400	WEST CHESTER, . . . . .	166	166
Sugar Valley, . . . . .	250	250	Tylersville, . . . . .	166	166
FORT JEFFERSON, . . . . .	142	145	Sharon, . . . . .	216	216
Hollansburg, . . . . .	114	114	WEST ELKTON, . . . . .	125	125
Jaysville, . . . . .	102	106	Winchester, . . . . .	75	76
New Madison, . . . . .	92	81	Macedonia, . . . . .	85	85
GLENDAL AND PT. UNION:			Simonsons, . . . . .	80	80
Glendale, . . . . .	300	300	Pleasant Hill, . . . . .	60	55
Port Union, . . . . .	300	300			
Valley Chapel, . . . . .	150	150			

APPOINTMENTS.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.....	APPOINTMENTS.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.....
<b>GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.</b>			<b>GEORGETOWN.—Continued,</b>		
ABERDEEN, . . . . .	\$217	\$217	MARATHON, . . . . .	\$159	\$159
Bradyville, . . . . .	141	141	Burdsall, . . . . .	128	128
Ebenezer, . . . . .	141	141	Fayetteville, . . . . .	75	75
Fitch Chapel, . . . . .	126	126	Greenberry, . . . . .	75	75
AMELIA, . . . . .	330	330	Taylor's, . . . . .	68	68
Pleasant Hill, . . . . .	185	159	MASON, . . . . .	450	450
Union Chapel, . . . . .	90	90	Union, . . . . .	170	170
Withamsville, . . . . .	45	36	Socialville, . . . . .	180	139
BETHEL, . . . . .	200	200	MONTGOMERY, . . . . .	160	137
Mt. Olive, . . . . .	45	45	Bethel, . . . . .	165	130
Lakin, . . . . .	110	90	Rossmoyne, . . . . .	113	58
Old Bethel, . . . . .	90	60	Miamiville, . . . . .	113	90
Clermont, . . . . .	65	65	MOSCOW CIRCUIT:		
BUTLERVILLE, . . . . .	125	125	Moscow, . . . . .	220	242
McKendree, . . . . .	75	59	Calvary, . . . . .	200	205
Wesley, . . . . .	125	100	Point Pleasant, . . . . .	140	140
Edenton, . . . . .	125	100	Neville, . . . . .	114	125
CENTENARY, . . . . .	91	91	SOUTH LEBANON, . . . . .	475	.....
Pleasant Hill, . . . . .	150	150	Shiloh, . . . . .	125	.....
Perintown, . . . . .	95	95	SUMMERSIDE, . . . . .	170	170
Mt. Zion, . . . . .	95	95	Olive Branch, . . . . .	140	140
Mt. Olive, . . . . .	77	77	Asbury, . . . . .	140	125
CHILO, . . . . .	180	180	Salem, . . . . .	50	50
McKendree, . . . . .	80	80	WILLIAMSBURG CIRCUIT:		
Cedron, . . . . .	120	120	Clover, . . . . .	116	116
Higginsport, . . . . .	65	65	Concord, . . . . .	96	96
Smith's Landing, . . . . .	55	55	Afton, . . . . .	100	100
DECATUR, . . . . .	223	185	Branch Hill, . . . . .	55	55
Cherry Fork, . . . . .	129	115	Salem, . . . . .	95	95
Eckmansville, . . . . .	97	80	WEST UNION, . . . . .	342	342
Russellville, . . . . .	151	120	Liberty Chapel, . . . . .	183	183
FEESBURG, . . . . .	95	39	Stone Chapel, . . . . .	75	75
Eden, . . . . .	250	258			
Hamersville, . . . . .	85	92	<b>HILLSBORO DISTRICT.</b>		
Mt. Zion, . . . . .	84	43	BELFAST, . . . . .	.....	.....
Mt. Pisgah, . . . . .	100	70	Flat Run, . . . . .	.....	.....
FELICITY, . . . . .	475	396	Louisville, . . . . .	.....	.....
Point Isabel, . . . . .	125	125	Louden, . . . . .	.....	.....
GEORGETOWN, . . . . .	500	500	Prospect, . . . . .	.....	.....
Free Soil, . . . . .	115	115	Folsom, . . . . .	.....	.....
Hillman, . . . . .	85	85	BLANCHESTER, . . . . .	\$600	\$600
GOSHEN, . . . . .	490	490	Midland City, . . . . .	100	100
Pleasant Plains, . . . . .	110	110	Kansas, . . . . .	100	100
LAUREL, . . . . .	230	230	BOWERSVILLE, . . . . .	206	206
Franklin, . . . . .	105	105	Center, . . . . .	253	253
Mt. Pisgah, . . . . .	150	152	Haws Chapel, . . . . .	100	100
Spring Grove, . . . . .	115	115	Mt. Zion, . . . . .	66	66
LOVELAND, . . . . .	400	400	CLARKSVILLE, . . . . .	300	300
Concord, . . . . .	100	100	Olive Branch, . . . . .	188	188
Branch Hill, . . . . .	100	82	Union, . . . . .	62	62
MAINEVILLE, . . . . .	450	450	DUNKINSVILLE, . . . . .	120	108
Zoar, . . . . .	150	150	Cedar Mills, . . . . .	120	116
MANCHESTER, . . . . .	425	425	Union, . . . . .	50	17
Bentonville, . . . . .	175	175	Pleasant Bottom, . . . . .	50	14
			Quinn, . . . . .	60	11

APPOINTMENTS.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.....	APPOINTMENTS.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.....
<b>HILLSBORO—Continued.</b>			<b>SPRINGFIELD—Continued.</b>		
HIGHLAND, . . . . .	\$373	\$373	Pisgah, . . . . .	\$120	\$120
Memphis, . . . . .	217	169	Wayne, . . . . .	75	75
Samantha, . . . . .	165	144	CATAWBA, . . . . .	325	325
Clear Creek, . . . . .	95	90	Nation Chapel, . . . . .	205	175
LYNCHBURG, . . . . .	315	315	Pleasant Chapel, . . . . .	105	105
Dunn's Chapel, . . . . .	180	170	Fletcher Chapel, . . . . .	115	115
Dodsonville, . . . . .	150	160	CEDARVILLE, . . . . .	600	600
Russell, . . . . .	125	125	Clifton, . . . . .	100	100
MARTINSVILLE, . . . . .	115	95	CHRISTIANSBURG, . . . . .	185	185
Westboro, . . . . .	165	165	McKendree, . . . . .	200	200
Morrisville, . . . . .	160	160	Wesley Chapel, . . . . .	70	70
Mt. Pleasant, . . . . .	60	24	Beech Grove, . . . . .	80	80
MT. ORAB, . . . . .	225	225	CLIFTON AVENUE, . . . . .	500	500
Sardinia, . . . . .	215	200	Emory Chapel, . . . . .	150	135
Shiloh, . . . . .	100	100	COVINGTON, . . . . .	400	400
New Hope, . . . . .	60	60	Pleasant Hill, . . . . .	75	43
NEW BURLINGTON, . . . . .	255	255	DIALTON:		
Sharon, . . . . .	235	235	Newson, . . . . .	304	304
Lumberton, . . . . .	215	215	Asbury, . . . . .	166	166
Zoar, . . . . .	95	95	Grafton, . . . . .	67	67
NEW JASPER, . . . . .	587	660	Simms, . . . . .	113	113
Mt. Tabor, . . . . .	85	85	KING'S CREEK, . . . . .	.....	119
White Chapel, . . . . .	96	96	Cable, . . . . .	.....	77
NEW VIENNA, . . . . .	370	370	Kennard, . . . . .	.....	32
Auburn, . . . . .	177	177	Local Chapel, . . . . .	.....	40
West Chapel, . . . . .	152	152	MUTUAL, . . . . .	214	220
PEEBLES, . . . . .	400	400	Union, . . . . .	214	220
Jacksonville, . . . . .	160	160	Treacle Creek, . . . . .	88	90
Locust Grove, . . . . .	90	90	Fountain Park, . . . . .	84	70
SINKING SPRING, . . . . .	163	163	NEW CARLISLE, . . . . .	550	467
Carmel, . . . . .	145	145	Donnellsville, . . . . .	135	121
Pisgah, . . . . .	66	66	NEW MOOREFIELD, . . . . .	135	135
Cynthiana, . . . . .	77	41	Moorefield Chapel, . . . . .	175	175
Cedar Chapel, . . . . .	39	39	Asbury, . . . . .	170	170
Cenoway, . . . . .	30	30	Fletcher, . . . . .	150	150
SUGAR TREE RIDGE, . . . . .	200	200	SOUTH CHARLESTON, . . . . .	675	675
Wesley, . . . . .	100	100	Selma, . . . . .	175	175
New Market, . . . . .	70	70	SOUTH CHARLESTON CIRC'T		
Buford, . . . . .	200	200	Williams Chapel, . . . . .	.....	.....
Danville, . . . . .	40	40	Pancake Chapel, . . . . .	.....	.....
Mowery Town, . . . . .	50	36	Vienna Cross Roads, . . . . .	.....	.....
Fairfax, . . . . .	50	20	South Solon, . . . . .	.....	.....
UNION, . . . . .	260	260	Brighton, . . . . .	.....	.....
Richland, . . . . .	159	159	TREMONT CITY, . . . . .	182	182
Spring Valley, . . . . .	260	260	Concord, . . . . .	364	364
Glady, . . . . .	159	159	Westville, . . . . .	178	178
Mt. Holly, . . . . .	69	69	Terre Haute, . . . . .	122	122
WINCHESTER, . . . . .	240	240	TROY CIRCUIT:		
Seaman, . . . . .	185	185	Bethel, . . . . .	180	180
Mt. Olivet, . . . . .	155	155	Casstown, . . . . .	315	278
Emerald, . . . . .	120	120	Raper, . . . . .	180	180
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.			YELLOW SPRINGS, . . . . .	600	600
BRANDT, . . . . .	\$90	\$90	Old Town, . . . . .	75	85
Palmer, . . . . .	115	115			

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### COMMITTEES.

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#### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

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THE American Bible Society is one of the great missionary organizations of the world. It embraces the home and foreign field. In our own land it is the only organization that supplies the Scriptures gratuitously to Mission Churches and Sunday-schools, to public institutions, to the army and navy, and to the destitute. In the foreign field it supplies the Bible to missions and missionaries of the American Churches in all languages in which the Bible is used.

This work is vast and fundamental, and the Society that does it ought to have ample means for its prosecution. It is seriously damaging to all lines of missionary effort when the resources of this Society are so limited as to compel it greatly to reduce its work, and, unfortunately, that is the condition of its affairs to-day, and has been during recent years. Other forms of benevolent and philanthropic work have drawn to them large sums of money, but it is not well to undermine the foundations in order to help the superstructure.

This declension in the collections is discouraging in view of the fact that the Society has increased demands upon its treasury growing out of our recent acquisition of territory. Our people must be aroused from their indifference. The facts must be laid before them, and we believe they will respond liberally. In order to greatly increase the interest of our people in this work, and secure larger contributions; be it therefore

*Resolved* 1. That we have the greatest confidence in the wisdom, ability, and efficiency of the management of the affairs of the American Bible Society, and declare our belief that they should have the most generous support from our Church.

2. That we request the presiding elders to apportion, among the charges, for the American Bible Society, an amount equal to one-eight the amount asked for the Missionary Society.

3. That we will present the interests of this great cause in each congregation, ask for a liberal contribution, and forward the amount, either through the local agency or directly to William Foulke, Treasurer American Bible Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York.

4. That we congratulate the Society upon the appointment of Rev. John Pearson, D. D., as Field Agent, and cordially recommend the presiding Bishop to appoint him to the office.

JOHN WILSON, *Secretary*.

D. J. STARR, *President*.

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#### AUDITING COMMITTEE.

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AFTER having carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Publishing Committee, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of this Conference, and the accounts of the Conference Treasurer, we find them to be carefully kept and correct in every respect.

W. J. DUNHAM, *Secretary*.

T. D. MOORE, *President*.

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

FROM 1866, when this work began, to August 1, 1899, the Board collected and disbursed \$6,400,000. Of this, the General Fund, derived chiefly from collections, personal gifts for frontier Churches, \$250 each, and Mountain Fund specials of \$100 each, all for use by donations to Churches, has aggregated \$4,102,000. The Loan Fund has a permanent capital of \$1,067,000, and Churches borrowing have returned \$1,231,000, giving, for use by loans, \$2,298,000, making the aggregate above given \$6,400,000. With this the Board aided 11,197 Churches, more than one-third of the entire number owned by our denomination. Our Conference has shared in this work as follows: The collections taken in our Churches, from the beginning to November 1, 1898, the close of the last fiscal year of the Board, aggregated \$63,308. To this our Conference adds, this year, \$2,041, making a total of \$65,349. Forty-two Churches within our bounds have received aid up to November 1, 1898, by donations of \$10,525 and loans of \$23,800. The part our Conference is to take, in both giving and receiving, is definitely fixed, under provisions of Discipline, by the General Committee from year to year. For the ensuing year our Conference is asked to raise, by collections, \$6,000. Our needy Churches may, on approved applications, receive \$1,000. The amount of aid granted must depend on the amount of the collections taken, and can not exceed the proportion above indicated. Interest, therefore, in our own Conference, as well as in the general cause, should inspire us to use all diligence to secure the full amount asked, and, if possible, go beyond it.

The Board of Church Extension asks a million for Church Extension Twentieth-century Thank-offerings, to erect a new Methodist Episcopal Church, within the ensuing three years, for every year in the Christian era, with one hundred surplus churches to welcome the approaching remnant of years of the twenty centuries; to erect one thousand Methodist Episcopal Churches on the Frontier Fund Plan, to cost \$1,250 each and upwards, exclusive of the value of ground, to be aided by the Church Extension Board to the extent of \$250 each. This would make a total offering, for one thousand Churches, of \$250,000. To erect one thousand Methodist Episcopal Churches on the Mountain Fund Plan, to cost \$400 each and upwards, exclusive of the value of ground, to be aided by the Church Extension Board to the extent of \$100 each. This would make a total offering, for one thousand Churches, of \$100,000. To secure additions to the Loan Fund by cash donations and benevolent Annuity Fund gifts to the amount of \$300,000. To secure funds to cancel debts upon churches, in contributions from the Churches and for the Churches which have been helped into existence, or which have been protected from peril by the Church Extension Board, and for unforeseen emergency cases, to the amount of \$350,000. Total, \$1,000,000.

A Twentieth-century Thank-offering to the Loan Fund of \$5,000 and upwards, will give the name of the donor to the Fund in perpetuity. A Twentieth-century Thank-offering of \$250 will designate the name of a church as a memorial church, worth \$1,250 and upwards, exclusive of the value of ground.

The Loan Fund has proved of great value, and should be warmly commended to friends of this cause. The principal, including all amounts subject to life annuity, whether specially directed to the fund or not, is now over \$1,067,000. The aggregate of loans to Churches is more than double the amount of the principal. This fund is a sacred trust, for use only by loans. Churches borrowing from it must, therefore, keep faith and return loans; and if any default, the Board must be urgent, and keep faith with those who created the fund. For a Church to delay payment is a grievous fault; to evade or refuse, would be a crime to which the Board dare not be a party.

Church architecture has been greatly improved under the advice and direction of the Board. We commend to all who contemplate building, the excellent catalogues and designs furnished by the Board.

The tenure of Church property is a very important matter, which has heretofore been greatly neglected. Valid title requires that the Church, or its trustees, shall have legal existence under the laws of the State, "a local habitation and a name," by which it can be identified in title deeds, and described by the civil courts, as occasion may require. Without all this the tenure of our property is insecure.

With these requisites in view, the whole matter should be investigated, by careful examination of the official records of the county within which each church is located, that legal defects may be disclosed and corrected.

The Board of Church Extension provides all needed helps for its department:

*Christianity in Earnest*, with its bi-monthly visits, will furnish, to all who receive it, the latest tidings of this work and its wants. It should find cordial welcome by all pastors and laymen who would know the work of their Church.

*Glad Tidings*, with facts and figures condensed, and with sweet songs for every voice, will help in public service, and maps, showing the work at a glance, will be added when desired; and all for the asking for use in presenting the cause and taking collections as the Discipline requires. If this work shall languish, we and our people will surely be without excuse.

We recommend, for adoption, the following resolutions:

1. We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension, and the Church at large, on the remarkable success of this work through a period of thirty-two years.

2. That our country, being new, with rapidly increasing population and new territorial additions, will continue to need Church Extension, in the future as in the past, and that our Church, by fostering and strengthening this work, will increase its own power to do the larger work now thrown upon it.

3. That we, as a Conference, will not be content with anything less than a full response to the call of the General Committee for our proper share in Church Extension, until, everywhere, in communities now destitute, the people shall have opportunity to "enter His courts with praise."

4. That we, as a Conference, will co-operate with the Board of Church Extension in securing, within the ensuing three years, Twentieth-century Thank-offerings for Church Extension to the amount of \$1,000,000.

5. That our presiding elders be requested, to apportion, with care, the full amount asked for Church Extension, to the several districts and pastoral charges for collection; and that, availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, and especially *Christianity in Earnest* and *Glad Tidings*, we will present this cause in all our Churches, and endeavor to secure, at least, the amount asked, in accordance with the plan of our Discipline.

By order of the Committee.

ULYSSES G. HUMPHREY, *Secretary*. ALPHEUS B. AUSTIN, *Chairman*.

## DEACONESS WORK.

### PART I.

THE work of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home and Christ's Hospital is the work of the Master. No Church can win the confidence of the world, in the sincerity of its purpose, to save the souls of men, that does not manifest the spirit of Jesus Christ in ministering to the

diseased bodies and minds of men. Viewing the work of this great institution and similar institutions carried on by Christian philanthropy, we begin to understand what the Master meant when he said, "And greater works than these shall ye do, because I go to my Father." Where Christ ministered to one, by actual contact, during his earthly life, the devoted women of our Deaconess Houses—filled with the Christ spirit, inspired by the Christ love, and aided by the Christ power—reach, in ministering help, thousands of earth's needy ones. Where Christ healed one by actual touch in the days of his flesh, he now heals hundreds by the power of his Spirit, leading men and women of God to devote time, money, and skill to the work of our own and other hospitals.

No work of the Church is more calculated to bring the world face to face with Jesus, and that virtue in him that goeth out for the healing of the souls of men.

There is no work that will more quickly convince the world of the verities of our religion than for the Church, like the Master, to be busy "going about doing good." This is precisely the work of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home and Christ's Hospital.

The Annual Report of the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., brings good cheer to our hearts, and, at the same time, gives to us renewed sense of our responsibilities and our opportunities in the great work which he represents.

We rejoice in the splendid results accomplished by the Home this last year in ministering to human need, in the visiting of the sick and those in prison, in the educating of children and mothers in the poorer districts of the city in the things of godliness. We rejoice, also, in the work done by Christ's Hospital, and in the improvements made for increased efficiency.

We are glad to report that the financial exhibit is encouraging, and we congratulate the Secretary and the Church that the debt of more than \$11,000 has been provided for by reliable subscriptions. We would recommend:

1. That the excellent and instructive Annual Report prepared by the Corresponding Secretary and published in the *Western Christian Advocate* of August 30, 1899, be read by every pastor in the Conference, and that he bring, early in the year, the facts therein before his people.

2. That Hospital-day be properly observed in all the churches, and that the preachers present at that time—the Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving-day—the cause, and take an offering, and this is the more imperative because of the fact that the patronizing territory is decreasing by the establishment of like institutions in adjacent cities.

3. That the pastors be exceedingly careful to prevent the introduction of people to Christ's Hospital as free patients who are able to pay, either in part or in full, for the service received there.

4. It is with pleasure that we join with the request of the Board of Trustees, and request of the Board of Control of the Deaconess Work in this Conference in asking the reappointment, as Corresponding Secretary, of Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D.

5. We would also recommend the election of J. W. Mason, M. M. Kugler, H. C. Weakley, Mrs. J. M. Walden, Mrs. W. B. Shattuc, Mrs. T. H. Pearne, B. R. Cowen, J. N. Gamble, and Robert Johnson, as the Conference Board of Control.

## PART II.

Your Committee on Deaconess Work submit the following additional report relating to the Methodist Episcopal Home for the Aged at Yellow Springs, Ohio:

We are glad to report that nine of the eleven \$500 subscriptions needed to pay for the property purchased at Yellow Springs, Ohio, as a home for the aged, have been secured or reliably pledged. This property, though



purchased for a nominal sum, can be equipped to accommodate a household of one hundred members. It is ideally located, and admirably adapted for an Old Folks' Home.

We have examined the articles of incorporation and the ground plan for the founding and maintaining this work, and approve of all that has been done. Among other things, we rejoice in the appointment, by four of the Annual Conferences of the State, of representatives on the Board of Management. This has been done in answer to the suggestion made last year in our own Conference. Those appointed are Rev. A. J. Lyon, D. D., by the North Ohio Conference; Rev. A. H. Norcross, D. D., by the Ohio Conference; Rev. J. H. Fitzwater, D. D., by the Central Ohio Conference;



THE METHODIST HOME FOR THE AGED, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO.

together with Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., and Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., of this Conference.

The purpose of this incorporation is to "establish, hold, and maintain a home for aged and infirm persons and for deaconesses." All our work of this incorporation is to be carried on in harmony with the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States of America. It is not only for the preachers and members of their families, but for the laity as well. Any member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Ohio, of ten years' standing and sixty-five years of age, may apply through his or her pastor for admission. Others than Methodists must be recommended by the pastor and Official Board of the local Methodist Church. The minimum admission fee is \$300. Persons having more, and desiring a lifetime home, will be expected to give it. No insane or weak-minded person will be admitted to the Home. In brief, the purpose of the administration, will be to organize and equip at Yellow Springs, Ohio, a Christian retreat for the aged saints of our Church, and for others for whom arrangements can be made; and here such as are admitted are to receive the care and attention they need, and to be given an opportunity to spend their declin-

ing years in peace and quietude, and to be granted the opportunity of enjoying all the means of grace.

We heartily commend the plan, fixed upon this Inter-conference Board, of appealing to the Official Board of every Methodist Church in the State for a small annual subscription; also, to every Methodist Sunday-school for an annual contribution of one dollar, and we would urge hearty co-operation on the part of every charge in the Cincinnati Conference.

We also commend the wisdom of the incorporation of this institution as separate from every other Methodist enterprise in the State, believing that it will thus secure a larger constituency. We have no doubt that by its own merits the institution will make all the friends it needs.

The President of the Home will visit each of the Conferences, together with other members of the Inter-conference Board, to invite them to become patronizing Conferences, and to appoint three members of the corporation, which will have sole management of the Home.

We nominate for election, by this Conference, W. A. Robinson, D. D., Mrs. Virginia Lang Bosworth, and R. W. Burns as members of the Methodist Home for the Aged.

We would also join in the request of the Inter-conference Board of Trustees, and of the Board of Control of Deaconess Work in this Conference, that the Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., be appointed President of "The Methodist Home for the Aged."

We call the attention of our people to this much needed House of Mercy as specially worthy of their consideration, and hope they will see to it that it is liberally endowed.

J. W. GADDIS, *Chairman*.

C. E. SCHENK, *Secretary*.

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#### DEACONESS BOARD OF CONTROL.

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WE come, not to give the Annual Conference an elaborate presentation of the deaconess interest, but some facts concerning the work over which, as a Board of Control, we have had the general supervision. The work of the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home and Christ's Hospital is one in which every member of the Christian Church should be interested. Their sweet ministries of mercy and help are not bounded by denominational lines, members of the different Churches, and people outside of all denominations, constantly receiving the benefits which they dispense. But especially ought these allied agencies for usefulness to have a large place in the sympathies of our own Church, and substantial aid, in the accomplishment of their purpose. The results of the past nine years have certainly equaled, and more than equaled, our highest expectations, and are most inspiring to those who are seeking to develop, to their highest possibilities of strength, these forces for the building up of the kingdom of Christ. We can not enter into any detailed account of what our deaconesses are doing, but the annual report of the Corresponding Secretary, in the *Western Christian Advocate* of August 30th, shows that they have been abundant in labors, and that their work is worthy of our highest commendation. We wish that there might be a thoughtful reading of this report upon the part of ministers and laymen. We feel sure it would increase their interest in this work.

It gives us great pleasure to report that the Training School for Deaconesses has done the most valuable and efficient work, the past year, that has been accomplished since its organization. Of this year's class, twelve finished the Bible course with a high average standing, most of whom are now taking the nurse course, while thirteen began with the nurse training, and will take the Bible instruction later on. While the work of the Training School has been most successful and encouraging, we should be glad to see at least one resident instructor in the Home, be-

lieving that this would greatly increase the efficiency of the school, and are glad to report that steps have already been taken looking to this end. In connection with the Training School, we desire to call the attention of the General Conference, through our representatives, to the desirability of making some changes in the Disciplinary course of study for deaconesses.

In the judgment of your Board of Control, confirmed by the instructors of last year, the course is too heavy for the time that can be given to it, and not best adapted for the training that ought to be given. Our experience has shown that some books might be eliminated, and others put in their place, with advantage to the end to be secured in the training. We commend this matter of revision to those who have the arranging of the course.

It is a matter of great congratulation to the friends of the Home and Hospital, that the debt of over \$11,000 has been provided for, and the institution will now enter upon a new year free from this incubus.

We note with pleasure the most impressive consecration service at the seat of the Conference, conducted by the presiding Bishop, at which the following deaconesses were consecrated: Misses Ellen M. Slear, Sarah E. Terhune, Clara A. Kirk, Alice P. Thatcher, and Azubah H. Buxton.

We approve of and heartily commend the Methodist Home for the Aged, to be located at Yellow Springs, and which is to be opened in the near future. The five patronizing Ohio Conferences have been invited to unite in its management and maintenance. Four of them have accepted, and appointed representatives for this purpose. The property is now held by an Inter-Conference Board of Trustees, of which Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., of this Conference, is president. This Home will have no connection whatever with any other Deaconess Home or other organization, and will be a distinctively Methodist institution, to be forever operated in harmony with the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church. All Methodists over sixty-five years of age, and homeless, may apply for membership. The minimum admission fee will be three hundred dollars, but those who are able will be expected to pay in proportion to their ability. These institutions, so far-reaching in their possibilities for usefulness, ought to be endowed. The following are the names and work of the licensed deaconesses in the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home:

Miss Hannah M. Pierce,		Miss Sarah Ireland, Missionary.
Superintendent.		" Carra Close, "
" Elizabeth Borcharding, Nurse.		" Emma Huston, "
" Ellen M. Slear, "		" Celia House, "
" Alice Blazer, "		Mrs. Annie Sandidge, "
" Emma Ahring, "		Miss Harriet Grimes, "
" Clara Miller, "		" Martha Nicolaison,
" Clara Solomon, "		Housekeeper.
" Sarah E. Terhune, "		" Lottie Sinnett, Kindergartner.
" Clara A. Kirk, "		" Alice P. Thatcher, Clerk.
" Azubah H. Buxton, "		Mrs. Sarah Martin, Pharmacist.

We recommend the renewal of the license of Miss Ida M. Pennell, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Christie Charge.

We wish to express our appreciation of the untiring and most efficient work of our two superintendents, Miss Hannah M. Pierce, of the hospital, and Mrs. Kate Rawls Haynes, of the Home.

We record, with high appreciation, the splendid work of the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. H. C. Weakley, D. D., and cordially approve the recommendation of the Association for his reappointment for the ensuing year. We also recommend his appointment as president of the Methodist Home for the Aged, as requested by the Inter-Conference Board.

We recommend, as heretofore, the observance of the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving as "Hospital Sunday," in the taking of a collection for the Home and Hospital.

M. M. KUGLER, *Secretary*.

J. W. MASON, *President*.

## EDUCATION.

### OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

THIS school has been for many years the pride and inspiration of Ohio Methodism. The growth of this noble institution, in the last ten years, in its financial resources as well as in the character of the work done, has been phenomenal. The curriculum has been steadily advanced, until the courses of study will compare favorably with the very best universities of America.

In scientific equipment, and in that of modern languages, there has been an increase of one hundred per cent within the last ten years. The School of Oratory, and the departments of Military Training, Law, and Medicine, have been created, and brought to their present place of vantage, while the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Music, and French have been greatly strengthened. In the same length of time the buildings and grounds have increased, by reconstruction and additions, three hundred per cent, while the number of students in regular attendance has advanced fifty per cent. In requirements for entrance the Ohio Wesleyan University is equal to the best in the land. In scholastic equipment throughout the course no fault can be found, but rather unqualified praise given for the advancing standard of the institution. We note with pleasure the splendid conduct of the university in all lines of its operation, and especially commend the magnificent presidency of Dr. J. W. Bashford, who for ten years has guided the college in unchecked prosperity.

During this time a larger number of graduates has been sent out than in the forty years before.

During the last decade there has been an annual increase to the university assets of \$80,000, and now the endowment, productive and unproductive, is as follows:

I. Assets.—Grounds and buildings.....	\$450,000
Real estate.....	200,000
Endowment .....	1,080,000
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	\$1,730,000
II. Liabilities .....	55,000
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III. Surplus .....	\$1,675,000

We note with pleasure the election of J. W. Magruder to the chair of Sociology and as financial agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University. We believe the choice is by direction of Providence. We bespeak for Brother Magruder the largest success.

The bequest of P. P. Mast was a noble manifestation of the devotion and love of the donor to the University. We trust this will be followed by other large gifts during the coming years, for enlarged capabilities are demanding still larger resources.

We recommend to every minister in our Conference the making of special appeals, publicly and privately, for the Ohio Wesleyan University.

We also recommend the setting apart for it of the entire educational collection for the coming year, aside from the Children's Fund.

We believe that, through wills, moneys given on annuity, and direct gifts, the university ought to receive, and that she will secure, \$1,000,000 by

the close of the Centennial of the State in 1903. We hereby pledge ourselves to co-operate with the other Conferences toward securing this essential end.

We recommend the following as visitors: J. W. Gaddis and A. C. Turrell; alternate, G. L. Tufts; and for Conference Trustees, W. R. Warnock, and James N. Gamble for the unexpired term made vacant by the death of P. P. Mast.

#### THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS.

No Church can more justly take pride in her theological schools than our own. Each school stands unique and supreme in its especial character and opportunity.

BOSTON SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY has completed the sixtieth year of its history. More than two thousand of our ministers in the home and foreign fields have received their professional training there. Of the 178 students in attendance last year no less than 122 were college graduates.

DREW, during the past year, has had the largest attendance in its history, 100 of the students having previously received the degree of A. B. from some worthy institution. A new administration and chapel building is projected, for which \$100,000 have already been received.

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The Theological Department at DePauw has been abandoned, enforcing the belief that no theological school should be projected by the Church unless highly endowed, as well as holding a high standard of previous collegiate training. We desire to reiterate the recommendation to all young men to secure both a classical and a theological training before entering the Conference; and to those in the work, not well-prepared, we say, Go even yet. We commend the earnest efforts of all our schools to lead our young men to a deep spirituality as the final secret of all ministerial power.

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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Nestor of the Board of Education has fallen. He whose firm hand and keen eye guided this ship into wide seas of prosperity has disembarked on the celestial shores. Though we humbly submit to an overruling Providence, yet we record the late death of Secretary C. H. Payne, D. D., LL. D., as a severe loss, little short of a calamity to this department of our general work. It was chiefly due to his sagacity and earnest appeals that the Church adopted a plan of federation for Methodist institutions of learning; that the University Senate, which has elevated the standard for conferring the Bachelor's Degree, has exerted so wide and beneficial an influence; that the multiplication of colleges where they are not needed has been rendered more difficult; and that the annual receipts of the Board have been greatly enhanced. Never since the building of Cokesbury College have our educational facilities equaled their present status, nor the standard been so high.

We rejoice and congratulate the Church at large that the mantle of Dr. Payne has fallen upon so worthy a successor, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and Boston School of Theology, and ex-Chan-

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We call attention to four leaflets: "The Christian College a Necessity," by Rev. Charles H. Payne, D. D., LL.D.; "The Advantages of a College Education," by Dr. Bashford; "Endowments for Education," by Bishop Warren; "The Need of a Liberally Educated Ministry," by President Raymond.

These are especially suitable for distribution, and samples may be secured from the Board of Education. They are sold at cost of publication.

The Board rendered aid to seventeen students, having their residence within the bounds of this Conference, to the amount of \$877. The Conference paid \$1,014 into the treasury of the Board, so that about four-fifths was returned to our benefit.

#### THE WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

In the Woman's College of Baltimore, Methodism possesses what President Eliot, of Harvard, calls "the best equipped college for women in the United States." Its large and modern halls of instruction and administration, its college homes for resident students carefully built after comparison with the best institutions in the land, its well-furnished gymnasium, its commodious chapel, its studios and laboratories and collections, its large and carefully-selected Faculty, its many courses of study, its endowments and scholarships and fellowships, the high standard of work required of its students, the lofty Christian ideals maintained by its trustees and teachers, the moderate cost at which its superior advantages are offered, all commend it to the most hearty support of those who wish to secure for the young women of to-day the best possible education that the age can afford.

We recommend the appointment, as visitors, of J. F. Marlay and G. W. Dubois; alternate, C. W. Gullette.

#### CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

We recommend the following officers: President, H. A. M. Henderson; Vice-President, J. P. Porter; Secretary, A. B. Austin; Treasurer, E. W. Mullikin; additional members, W. R. Warnock, James M. DeCamp, Theodore F. Spear, James N. Gamble.

#### SPRINGFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND FEMALE COLLEGE.

The property of the Springfield High School and Female College is in good condition, and the Board of Directors has maintained an excellent school during the past year, the pupils coming entirely from the city of Springfield.

The lease under which the present Board of Directors carries on the school will expire July, 1900, and steps have been taken to dispose of the Conference interests in the property at that time.

We wish to record our appreciation of the faithful services of two members of the Board of Trustees, who, during the year, have been called to their final reward, Rev. S. D. Clayton and P. P. Mast. They took a deep interest in the school, and we shall greatly miss them in the deliberations of the Board.

We recommend the election of J. A. Hayward, A. N. Spahr, P. C. Curnick, C. W. Barnes, G. W. Dubois, and V. F. Brown as trustees to serve for three years. The full Board will then be as follows: Term to expire 1900, Robert Johnson, J. S. Shewalter, John Pearson, E. T. Wells, T. H. Pearne, S. O. Royal; term to expire 1901, George K. Sharpe, H. S. Showers, W. R. Warnock, J. F. Marlay, William Runyan, F. G. Mitchell, J. A. Story; term to expire 1902, J. A. Hayward, A. N. Spahr, P. C. Curnick, C. W. Barnes, G. W. Dubois, V. F. Brown.

## THE HILLSBORO COLLEGE.

The Hillsboro College has been without a school the past year. The Commission, consisting of William Runyan, Thomas Pearne, G. H. Dart, and Heber D. Ketcham, appointed last year to terminate the relation of this Conference to said institution, has been unable to reach the end desired except upon the basis of the surrender of our franchise to the so-called stockholders, without consideration.

We therefore recommend that a Commission, consisting of T. H. Pearne, F. G. Mitchell, Heber D. Ketcham, and the presiding elder of Hillsboro District, be appointed with instruction as follows: Said Commission is authorized and instructed:

1. If it can be done, to transfer our franchise in said institution to the Quarterly Conference of the Hillsboro Methodist Episcopal Church; or,

2. Transfer said franchise to the public school authorities of the city of Hillsboro, to be used for public school purposes.

3. If neither of these arrangements is found to be practicable, then make such disposition of said franchise as will fully relieve this Conference from all relation with, and responsibility to, said college.

In order to the furtherance and completion of the end contemplated in this report, we recommend the election of the following eight persons to be Conference Trustees of said institution for the ensuing year: Jacob Saylor, W. C. Duckwall, George Barere, Charles Harsha, O. N. Sams, J. B. Wehrly, the presiding elder of Hillsboro District, and the pastor of Hillsboro Methodist Episcopal Church; said Conference Trustees to have power to fill any vacancies occurring in their number in the interim of the Conference sessions.

HEBER D. KETCHAM, *Secretary.*

F. G. MITCHELL, *President.*

H. A. M. HENDERSON,

WM. RUNYAN,

C. WONES,

GEO. DUBOIS,

D. C. VANCE,

A. C. TURRELL,

G. L. TUFTS,

C. F. ENYART.

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 EPWORTH LEAGUE.

RECOGNIZING the spiritual work of the League as the supreme object of its purpose, we would—

1. Enjoin upon our Leaguers faithfulness, not only to the special Epworth League service, but also the remembrance and performance of their obligation to all the means of grace, especially the mid-week prayer-meeting and Sunday evening services.

2. We commend the Mercy and Help Department as an avenue of gracious ministration, and would suggest to Leagues that seem to have no immediate demands for the practical exercise of these graces, the Deaconess Home, Christ's Hospital, and the Home of the Aged, as institutions most worthy of mercies bestowed and helpfulness extended.

3. We would encourage the circulation of the *Epworth Herald* as an able, efficient exponent of the spirit and life the League is designed under God and the Church to develop.

4. We would recognize the interest the *Western Christian Advocate* has shown in giving prominence to the devotional topics and news of the League.

5. We learn, with great sadness, that the Board of Control of the Epworth League has found that its Secretary, Edwin A. Schell, has committed a serious official wrong.

We rejoice that the Board of Control was able to acquit Dr. Schell of any wrong intent.

Inasmuch as officers of the Methodist Episcopal Church should be above reproach, we express the conviction that the Board of Control should further sift all the evidence obtainable, and clear Dr. Schell of all official wrong, or else secure his resignation.

J. A. EASTON, *Secretary*.

PAUL CURNICK, *Chairman*.

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J. S. WHITNEY,

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G. ROUGHTON,

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### FREEDMEN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

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WE make this report in substance and largely in the language of the circular letter of appeal received by the members of this Conference from the Secretaries. "Our hearts have burned within us during the last year as we have seen the heart of the Church turned toward our work. The awful crimes occurring in the South have called attention to our work as never before in the history of the Society. The whole country is startled with the conditions which prevail in some sections of the South. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, through a number of its most prominent officials, has been led to commend our work most highly, and to see, in what we are doing, the only hope for the adjusting of the races and the solving of the so-called Southern Problem. Our fiscal year closed June 30th. We report more money raised than during the previous year; and now is our chance to get out of debt. Seven years ago there were seven thousand Churches taking no collection for this cause; but they have been reduced to a little more than three thousand. The collections, as a whole, had fallen off more than one hundred thousand dollars in four years. We were compelled to dismiss hundreds of underpaid teachers, and to keep others struggling to meet their living expenses. If we can get rid of the interest we are paying on our debt we will start twenty-five new schools."

The apportionment to our Conference for this year is \$6,500.

Our collections amount to \$2,903, an increase of \$124 over the collections of last year. The *Christian Educator* will be sent for one year to every person who contributes as much as one dollar to the cause. The Society will pay six per cent interest, in semi-annual payments, to all who will loan money and help towards a loan of \$100,000; but we need gifts and collections for the immediate payment of the other part of the debt, the remaining \$100,000. Give the people the facts, and they will help.

F. M. CLEMANS, *Chairman*.

J. A. STORY, *Secretary*.

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### MISSIONS.

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1. THE Cincinnati Conference sounds the keynote for the fall Conferences, and announces an increase in the collections for the Missionary Society, for the current Conference year, of \$818. This is not the result of any special gift, but is an increase in the usual collection. Thus the Church makes answer to the call coming from the open doors in the islands of the sea. We have the utmost confidence in the Church, and when the bugle sounds a forward movement, the money is forthcoming.

2. We commend the faith of the Missionary Secretaries in calling for, and the plan of Bishop Thoburn for raising, \$2,000,000, as a special "Twentieth-century Offering for Missions," and urge that the members of our Conference organize the Committee on Missions especially for this work.

3. We are devoutly thankful to Almighty God that our great Missionary Society is out of debt, and that this result, under God, is due to the untiring labors of our Missionary Secretaries. We most earnestly pray that the Church will never allow another debt to accumulate. That this may not occur, we urge all our members, and the members of our congregations, to adopt the Scriptural duty of tithing, remembering that "the tithe is the Lord's."

4. We recommend that our pastors and Epworth Leagues join heartily in the "Students Missionary Campaign Movement," and that the campaigners be cordially welcomed to all our Churches.

5. We learn with pleasure of the gift to the Missionary Society of property in Springfield, Ohio, valued at \$5,000, by Laban W. Haughey, of South Charleston, Ohio, and we commend his action to others having means.

6. The attention of the Conference and the Church is directed to the great Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions, representing the Protestant Missionary Societies and Missions of the world, which will be held in New York City, April 21 to May 1, 1900. It will be the largest and most important representative meeting of the Protestant Missions of the world which has ever been held. It will have a large number of missionaries of all the different societies, and many representative men from both hemispheres. The work of one hundred years will be reviewed. The principles, methods, and results of foreign missionary work will be discussed in all their phases. It is desired that prayer shall be offered in all our churches on behalf of this Ecumenical Missionary Conference, that it may be made a great blessing to the whole Church of God, and give a mighty impulse to the missionary work throughout the world. It is requested that collections be taken in such of our congregations as will deem it a pleasure to aid in meeting the large expenses which will be incurred in providing for this great gathering. Any Church which may contribute five dollars for this purpose will receive a copy of the full report, issued in two volumes, at the close of the Conference, which will be a most valuable missionary work for permanent reference. We call attention to this great Conference, and urge that prayer be offered in all our Churches for it, and collections be taken to help defray the expenses. Such collections may be sent to our Missionary Secretaries, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

7. At the request of the Corresponding Secretaries of the Missionary Society, we nominate the following members of this Conference to act as Missionary Secretaries of the presiding elders' districts named; Cincinnati District, W. A. Robinson; Dayton District, D. Lee Aultman; Georgetown District, H. W. Bailey; Hillsboro District, M. LeSourd; Springfield District, M. B. Fuller.

L. E. PREXTISS, *Secretary*.

W. K. BROWN, *Chairman*.

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## NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

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WE find cause for congratulation that our war with Spain closed with so small a loss of life and cost of treasure for the end achieved—the emancipation of Cuba, the reprisal of Porto Rico, and the expulsion of a mediæval civilization and an apostate Christianity from this Western World.

The unanticipated destruction of the Spanish fleet in Manila Bay arrested the attention of mankind by its incomparable brilliancy, giving prestige to our navy, free warrant on the seas for our merchant marine, opening a vast archipelago of waiting isles as a market for American wares and produce, and a thousand doors to missionary entrance and occupation, and so extending our domain that our drum-beat is heard

around the world and our flag floats in the light of a ceaseless morning. Whatever may be thought of the policy of purchasing the islands, or of holding them as a reprisal of war, but one course can be patriotically pursued now that we have taken up the gauntlet thrown down by the misguided insurgents: we must imbibe the spirit of Caleb, and possess the land.

Unwelcome as is the duty, to falter and fail, since we have begun, would be criminal to humanity, and invite the contempt of civilization. Not all war is criminal. To say so would be to animadvert unjustly upon the Hebrew heroes who wedded patriotism to piety. Apostate and degenerate nations invite the surgery of the sword. The avenging angel waits in the track of fallen peoples as upon culprit individuals. Joshua whetted his sword on the granite tables of the law until its sharpened edge flashed as if fashioned in the furnace fires of Sinai's heaven-heated forge. America's sword is baptized. It is of the same metal as the steel fluent in the veins of the arm that wields it.

"Whenever, for the truth and right,  
It flashes in the van of fight,  
As when sunk the Armada's pride,  
It gleams above Manila's tide.  
Still, still, whene'er the battle's word  
Is Liberty, when men do stand  
For justice and their native land,  
Then Heaven bless the sword!"

What is to be done with the Filipinos is a question that must be delayed, and our soldiers supported until Aguinaldo's sword is surrendered and the insurgent banner is furled. We confront a situation, not a theory. The condition was thrust upon us. The stake is freedom for our foes, respect for our flag, and a highway for the gospel. We are not fighting to punish the Filipinos, but to endow them. Our sword is the surgeon's scalpel, not the assassin's dagger. We should seek to dissipate the fatuity that thralls them by giving them honest pledges that we will recognize any capacity they may demonstrate for self-government, and put them in possession of every inalienable right our great Charter of Independence declares to be the common property of mankind.

After subjugation, followed by magnanimity, there may be occasion for reviewing the Administration and aligning parties to approve or condemn; but censorship while the war is on is to sacrifice the brave men who are standing by their arms after their term of enlistment has expired, and to discourage those on the sea or mobilizing in camps to go to their relief.

When there are none to flaunt the flag that has never lowered at the behest of a foe, there may be cause and time to discuss the wisdom of the Administration's course and the marshaling of parties. Concerning this aftermath, we are unpartisan and non-committal. Each will act for himself when that hour strikes.

We further exult in the fact that the war obliterated the last vestige of the old pains of our Civil War. The first martyr, the hero of the Merrimac; the fleet commander succeeding Admiral Dewey in Asiatic waters; the patient, prudent, puissant Lee; the daring, dashing Ney of our cavalry, Wheeler—still in the blue, and as the pelican flies for a storm, is scenting and seeking the battle—were Southrons. "Our swords are a thousand, our hearts are as one."

One fact should fire the blood of age and string with steel the infant's nerves. No Star-spangled Banner hangs in tattered and dusty folds in any foreign museum, a captive curio; no piece of Columbia's cannon is mounted in a public park abroad to curry the pride of its captors or to amuse the loiterer on an esplanade.

We commend Bishop Thoburn for his prompt visitation to our new possessions to plant the banner of Methodism, and hope he will continue, while in the United States, to inspire enthusiasm for the cross and flag as the ensigns of a regenerated life, spiritual and patriotic, for all the peoples of our Asiatic colonies.

We lament that, in creating the volunteer army for service in the Philippine Islands, no provision was made for regimental chaplains, and that so many thousands of our young men are sent so far from home and its hallowed influences without a religious teacher, monitor, and mediator, without a comforter when sick, and without a minister to consign the dead to the grave with Christian rites.

Such dereliction is unworthy of the Christian Nation, and we ask Congress, as soon as it convenes, to rectify this mistake by sending to each of the new regiments a chaplain who shall be regularly ordained and highly approved by the authorities of his Church.

We deprecate the construction of the law which continued the canteen in the army. We deplore that a technical interpretation of the text of the statute, intended to abolish it, defeated the design of Congress and the will of the people, and we call upon the President and the Secretary of War to exhaust their authority in excluding the sale of intoxicants to the soldiers under national sanction.

We demand of our representatives a refusal of a seat in Congress to Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, as an unmistakable protest of a virtuous Republic against plural marriages, and as an advertisement to all bigamous offenders that Utah can not send to our National Parliament a representative who, if residing in any other State, would be sent to the penitentiary.

Nowhere, under no circumstances, will we favor the floating of our flag over those adulterous unions known as polygamous. Everywhere our banner waves, the harem must surrender to the home.

We hail with approval the mission among us of the Rev. T. C. Iliff, and bid him Godspeed and Congressional victory in his endeavor to defeat the seating of a polygamous representative.

F. G. MITCHELL,	W. H. WEHRLY,
DAVIS W. CLARK,	HEBER D. KETCHAM,
J. W. BASHFORD,	HOWARD HENDERSON.
E. BURDSALL,	

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## PERIODICALS AND BOOK CONCERN ACCOUNTS.

YOUR Committee notes, with great interest, the continual prosperity of our Book Concerns, both in the East and the West.

The net sales of books and periodicals at the New York Book Concern during the year ending October 31, 1898, amounted to \$899,156.96, and the sales at the Western Book Concern, for the same period, amounted to \$1,074,105.98, making a total of sales in both houses of \$1,973,262.88.

From the sales of the year noted our agents have been able to realize a net gain to our capital of \$115,402.12.

The credit of our Book Concerns is unquestioned everywhere. Out of the earnings of the first year our managers have been able to furnish the Conferences \$80,000 for our superannuates.

It should be understood, by all of our preachers, that the percentage of profits on sales from the Book Concerns is much smaller than a few years ago, and if we would expect larger receipts, we, as ministers, should help our agents to make larger sales. We recognize our Book Agents as men who are thoroughly given to their work, and they are full of tact and energy.

We recognize our Book Concerns as great agencies for publishing

and scattering religious literature, and yet, as ministers, we must remember that the highest measure of success depends largely upon the efforts of the pastors.

Our large family of Advocates furnishes the most helpful class of reading for our people. And we recognize the *Epworth Herald* as a paper of great excellence, especially for the young people of our Church, and we commend it to their attention and patronage.

We are delighted with the excellent quality of our periodicals for our Sunday-schools, and we are persuaded that it is not necessary to go elsewhere to find greener fields or sweeter pastures for the lambs of our flocks than we find at home.

Every reader of the *Methodist Review* will recognize it as an important help in keeping its patrons abreast of the knowledge of the latest religious thought, and we commend it to the consideration of all pastors.

In view of the fact that some of the Christian Advocates do not pay expenses, we ask the Book Committee to consider the advisability of printing common matter for the inside of several pages, or cutting off some of the official papers, or making other plans by which each of our official papers can be made to meet its own expenses.

L. M. DAVIS, *Secretary*.

A. N. SPAHR, *President*.

#### PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

WE desire to make acknowledgment of the services which have been rendered by John Pearson, for many years the Treasurer of the Committee and the manager of its finances. It is largely due to his perseverance that the Committee has kept out of debt, and accumulated a good working balance. The annual cost of publication is about \$400, and the annual subscriptions of the ministers is not over \$250. The balance must be made up through advertisements. Even through the panicky times we were able to keep even, and not run in debt.

The Minutes this year form the closing number of the quadrennium, and in it an index covering the whole volume may be found. We are certain that errors appear in the Minutes annually, but we have sincerely striven to approximate accuracy. If any eyes discover mistakes which have eluded our notice, we should be more than thankful to have them pointed out.

Respectfully submitted.

STANLEY O. ROYAL, *Chairman*.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

*Resolved*, 1. That we express our pleasure in the presidency of Bishop Edward G. Andrews over the Cincinnati Conference for the third time. His affable manner and just ruling have won and maintain our esteem, and we pray that his usefulness may be prolonged through many years.

*Resolved*, 2. That the Gem City has proved again its right to the reputation for generous hospitality. The Conference has been entertained only in Methodist homes, because our membership is numerous and willing. Both to the pastor and the members of this Church we express our sincere thanks for the many ways they have contributed to our comfort and happiness.

*Resolved* 3. That we express our appreciation of the invitation and entertainment of the famous Cash Register Company; for the invitation to the Soldiers' Home; and to the press for its ample notices of our Conference sessions.



*Resolved, 4.* That we express our appreciation to the School Board for its kindness in placing the school-building at our disposal for Committee work, and to the pastors and membership of the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches which were placed at the disposal of the Conference for special meetings.

*Resolved, 5.* That we express our gratitude to the officers of the Methodist Old People's Home, who arranged for the delightful trip to Yellow Springs, to visit the new institution. We would specially recognize the courtesy of the Pennsylvania Railroad in furnishing an excursion train, free of expense, to the Conference.

W. M. PATTON, *Secretary.*

J. W. PETERS, *Chairman.*

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

THE Sabbath is no mere accident, but a Divine institution. Its observance adds to the sacredness of other days. The Sabbath is not an imposition, but, to the toil-worn and weary, it comes laden with the blessings of rest and worship. It was meant to free the bearer of his burden and loose the voice of song; to restore the father to his family circle, and bring the worshiper before his God. Man's best interests are conserved by the Sabbath. It is the means of which human welfare is the end. It was "made for man." Its proper observance must, therefore, be maintained as a real human necessity. Works of necessity are in no sense a violation of the law of the Sabbath. But shall worldly amusements and worldly pleasures on this day be allowed to destroy the spirit of Sabbath observance? The conscientious Christian must answer, No! The principles on which the Sabbath was instituted do not change with changing years. As men grow wiser, become more skilled and energetic, they more and more require rest of body and mind, and the cultivation of acquaintance with God through worship. The law of the Sabbath is reasonable and wholesome for all mankind, the provision of a wisdom that is Divine. National wisdom has accorded the day a place among our sacred American institutions, thus re-enforcing its necessity.

The appeal of theater actors recently made to the ministry of our country, the appeal of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to the Churches, and the power of public opinion against the Sunday newspaper in England, cause us to believe that the underlying current of feeling favors the preservation of the Christian Sabbath.

We may not compel respect for the day among the ungodly, but we appeal to all Methodist ministers and laymen to refrain from the very appearance of Sabbath desecration. Every Christian is in duty bound to protect and cherish a day so grandly promotive of the worship of God and the good of man.

H. W. BAILEY, *Secretary.*

W. H. SPYBEY, *Chairman.*

### STATE OF THE CHURCH.

It is given the modern Church to apply the principles of its planting period. Christ's principles were generic. Details were left to the self-legislation of the Christ-heart. Christ righted principles, and principles righted men. The Golden Rule, translated into laws and institutions, will be the Magna Charta of Christendom. Applied Christianity is the demand of the times. The Church is not to hold, but to storm the fort. An army rots in its intrenchments. The Church can not live at home unless it goes abroad. You can not pile water in a heap without freezing it. The stagnant pool is a distillery of death. "The unsearchable riches of Christ" can be had without money, but they can not be kept unless



they pay the taxes of his kingdom. Paying and praying for a blessing are equally right. Prayers for the heathen, with cash for an amen, are alone effective.

"The love of Christ constraineth us" is the diamond drill that reaches the ore-beds. The first work of a preacher sent to a Church that gives according to its meanness is to bring its members to the mourner's bench. We should be patient with the brother on Dead Sea Circuit. Send him to Galilee Station, and he will come up with his collection net full. "It is cruel to put a man in a refrigerator, and then find fault with him because he does not sweat." Jesus could not do many mighty works in some cities. A Church without an unselfish mission is itself a candidate for missionary toil.

Giving must be made an act of worship, and the collection-plates lifted from the floor to the communion-table. The poor must not be denied giving as a means of grace. The widow's mites are expository of beneficence. She might have given one mite, but she probably thought it took two pieces of money to make a collection. "Jesus sat over against the treasury." He is sitting there yet, and hears the clink of mites and shekels as they are cast into the treasure-box. All our people should give something to acknowledge the principle and to acquire stock in the gospel trust.

Mites measure with millions when ability is the standard. The motive, love; the minimum, a tithe; the maximum, ability.

The Church must not yield to statistical pride, and estimate progress by its finances. She must ascend the Mount of Vision, not to dwell in idle ecstasy, but to be strengthened for toil and trial in the tear-pitted dust of earth. Once the reverie and rhapsody of the cloister ruled. Now the Church is challenged to the open problems unknown to apostolic times and the Dark Ages, which press the Church for solution.

Philanthropy points to the victims of want and woe begging relief; institutions enshrined by the sanctity of ages are menaced; the Sabbath is profaned, the holy day made a holiday; captious criticism puts forth a polluted touch to stay the trembling Ark of God. The liquor-traffic erects its Moloch altars, and demands our youth for the sacrifices of its holocaust; polygamy, one of the heads of our hydra, thought to have been cauterized, again shoots out a poisoned fang; greedy monopoly and corporate cupidity extend the tentacles of a huge commercial octopus to strangle labor and rob invention and skill; partisan bossism and political corruption rule the caucus and bribe the Senate; the Government sends canteens with our armies, and denies them chaplains; ignorance and superstition dynamite our public-school system, while priestcraft holds the brand to fire the train; a vicious or vagrant press sows the tares of skepticism in the popular mind; lawless masses mob the wretches that provoke their anger, and lynching supplants the lictor of justice; social clubs substitute the hearthstone; annexes of various kinds to the Church absorb attention, and exhaust interest and resources; the Sunday-school graduates thousands who fail to matriculate as Church members, and who are seldom seen in the great congregation; public worship is abandoned for games and bicycle-riding; the lecture-rooms of many colleges are lazarettos, in whose feculent air the microbes of a leprous infidelity are cultured, to spread a dread contagion in the disguise of learning.

This array of evils is no pessimistic screech, but an alarm-bell. To meet the danger, the Church must take the open, and, in the panoply of God, defeat its foes, disinfect its fold, and rescue the nation. Remembering the promised presence and power of its Great Captain, the Church must not be discouraged. With Heaven for an ally and Truth for a weapon, the conflict must end in the triumph of righteousness, and we must pray, pay, vote, and fight down every ill and wrong menacing our sacred altars and our starry flag.

With arms from Heaven's citadel, with courage born of the Holy Spirit, with the cross-banner floating over our serried columns, with the Great Captain of our salvation leading, we will win the Golden Age again,

"And love's millennial sun shall rise.  
In happy hearts, on blessed eyes."

Christ's command is "Follow me!"  
And our response should be,  
"Only Thou our Leader be,  
And we still will follow thee!"

HOWARD HENDERSON,  
J. G. VAUGHAN,  
A. B. LEONARD,  
A. MILLER,

J. H. McNARY,  
S. W. CAMPBELL,  
C. W. BRIGGS,  
R. S. MCCOLM.

### SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

In this age of expansion the Sunday-school is keeping step with the martial music.

We have at present, in the Cincinnati Conference, 358 schools, 5,626 officers and teachers, and 41,947 scholars. In our Sunday-schools there have been reported, for the past year, 1,885 conversion.

The smile of God and his blessing are clearly seen upon the Sunday-school in the marvelous results accomplished in answer to humble prayer and earnest work. The grand results of the past should stimulate us to put forth greater effort, with increased knowledge and zeal, to win the multitudes that are in touch with our Sunday-schools everywhere. To this end, let every pastor and superintendent, as far as it is possible, select only truly pious teachers, whose great concern is the conversion of unsaved pupils and indoctrinating of the saved in the principles of our holy religion.

Let normal classes be zealously and fully sustained where they now exist, and others, organized where none are now, for the training of competent teachers.

The importance of proper Sunday-school literature can not be over-estimated.

We believe the best lesson helps, periodicals, and library-books are published by our Methodist Book Concern. Therefore, let all of our pastors see that our Methodist literature is used in all our schools. We believe that parents should join their children in the study of the lesson during the week, when possible, and thus aid the teacher, and all attend the school, and use only the open Bible in the recitation.

The Home Department includes all persons who are interested in the study of the lessons, and can not attend the school, but are willing to give one hour each week to the study of the lesson at home.

The enrollment of the Home Department is now 1,745 in our Conference bounds. The Sunday-school Union in the past year has extended a helping hand to over 3,000 needy schools of our Church. Let us increase our offerings, and secure greater contributions for this noble work the coming year. Let every charge in our Conference report something for this Society.

J. P. NINDE, *Secretary.*

JOHN H. LEASE, *President.*

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## TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION.

### (PERMANENT COMMITTEE.)

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—Your "Permanent Committee on Temperance and Prohibition" was appointed, one year ago, with an evident desire to place the Cincinnati Conference in complete harmony with the General Conference plan of temperance work. (See Discipline, page 350.)

A meeting of the said Committee was held at the Book Concern in Cincinnati, October 10, 1898, and the Committee organized by the election of Dr. William Runyan as President, and R. E. Smith, D. D., as Secretary and Treasurer.

The Committee endeavored to take up the work expected of it by addressing a circular letter (through the pastor) to the Quarterly Conference Temperance Committee of each charge, urging the observance of "Temperance Sunday," the taking of a liberal collection to aid the cause, and asking a report of the work being done.

In response to this communication, contributions were received from five charges; viz., Peebles, Mechanicsburg, Mason, Morrow, and South Charleston, amounting, in the aggregate, to \$8.01, which amount was scarcely sufficient to reimburse the Committee for actual outlay. Besides this, a report was received from Lebanon of splendid work being done; but the entire contribution, as in several other places spoken of privately, was devoted to another form of work, and does not belong to this report.

We are of the opinion that so much division of effort is calculated to weaken, rather than strengthen, the cause, and recommend, for the present, that we give our cordial support to the Anti-saloon League in its aggressive work, and await further orders both from the General Conference and the Great Head of the Church.

R. E. SMITH, *Sec. and Treas.*

WM. RUNYAN, *President.*

## TEMPERANCE.

THE final solution of the temperance question has not yet been reached. To many of us it seemed more nearly solved long ago than now. Then we thought God could not permit such an enormity to continue. We believed that his cause would be so much advanced, that the sum of human sorrow would be so much lessened, that the nation would be so greatly the gainer, and that humanity would be so helped, in every way, that surely God would, in answer to innumerable prayers, hasten our deliverance from so terrible a foe.

To our prayers we have joined earnest and careful effort. We have sought counsel of the wisest. We have appealed for help to the mightiest. We have endeavored to unite all friendly and efficient agencies and parties. We have been ready to sacrifice money and time and effort, and even party and opinion. We have hoped much from all, and expected results that, alas! we have not seen.

We are not, we must not be discouraged. But sometimes we do cry, "How long, O Lord, how long?"

We need not enumerate the evils of the liquor-traffic. They are but too well known. But we can not be true and be silent, or submit to them. We will cry out against and resist them. If, for a time, rum triumphs, it must be against our protest and effort.

The most notable event of the year in the temperance world has been the battle against the canteen. It was already set in array a year ago.

Bravely it was fought, until we shouted the victory won. Alas that, by inscrutable and unscrupulous cunning, it was snatched from our very grasp, and, just as before, liquor continues to be sold in our army, the will of the people is subverted, the purpose of Congress is thwarted, and, worst of all, it becomes apparent that any law in the interest of morality is in danger of being so constructed as to render hopeless all effort to suppress crime by law.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

*Resolved*, 1. That we utter our protest against that construction of the recent enactments of Congress on the subject of the army canteen, by which what we believe to be its legitimate intent is subverted, and the canteen, with all its unhappy effects, is continued.

2. That we suggest to the President that he secure a legal adviser in his Cabinet whose opinions will be more in accordance with the plain letter of the law, the meaning of the lawmakers, and the highest interests of the soldiers in the field.

3. That we recommend, at the earliest possible moment, the submission, to the Supreme Court of the United States, of the previously named legislation, that the constitutionality of the same, with the construction placed thereon by the Attorney General, may be finally settled.

4. That we commend the plans of the Anti-saloon League by which it is sought to unite all parties and Churches in effectual opposition to the open saloon. Especially do we commend that feature of its work by which, through existing parties in the various counties, it is sought to secure the nomination and election to the State Legislature of men of known temperance principles.

5. That we have highly appreciated the labors in behalf of that organization, of our own member, Rev. F. M. Clemans, D. D., Ph. D.

6. That we call attention to the Young People's Temperance Union, a recent organization seeking to unite the young people in aggressive and earnest effort against intemperance, and to "the Prohibition Union of Christian Men," whose splendid slogan, "In the name of Jesus Christ, the liquor-traffic must die," stirs the faith of the Church to new battle against the forces of evil arrayed under the black flag of the saloon.

7. That we express our high appreciation of the superior work our brother, the Rev. George M. Hammell, D. D., has done on the *Western Christian Advocate* as editor of the Anti-saloon and Sociological sections, and we bid him Godspeed in the new duties upon which he is entering as Professor of Political Science and Economics in American Temperance University.

8. That we urge unwearied diligence in promoting all movements both local and general, that will keep this subject in the minds of the people, awaken healthy public sentiment, and familiarize the young with the idea that the saloon is an unmitigated evil, and that it must go.

R. K. DEEM, *Chairman*.

G. B. SHANOR,  
C. L. MYERS.  
R. J. WYCKOFF,  
J. A. GEISSINGER,

R. E. SMITH,  
C. L. CONGER,  
E. MCHUGH,  
J. W. BASHFORD.

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### TRACT SOCIETY.

THE Tract Society may not be classed nor compared with the great institutions of Methodism, yet it is a source of denominational efficiency.

This form of our literature has displayed its potency in the application of truth to the hearts of those whose lives were darkened by sin, and has led to their reformation and transformation.

Thus viewing the Tract Society, we maintain that it must ever be

recognized, and remain among us as an essential and potent feature of the Church of God in the salvation of souls and the evangelization of the world.

We would, therefore, urge all the preachers of this Conference to evince a deep interest in this form of our literature, that it may continue among us in its effectiveness.

To this end we recommend that an annual collection be taken by them for this purpose, and that they encourage larger contributions and a more liberal distribution of the same among the people of their several charges.

J. S. RUGGLES, *Secretary*.

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## V.

# Conference Studies.

### a. BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

FRANK G. MITCHELL, <i>Chairman.</i>	G. W. DUBOIS.	W. H. WEHRLY.
CHARLES L. CONGER, <i>Registrar.</i>	J. A. STORY.	H. D. KETCHAM.
W. A. ROBINSON.	J. P. PORTER.	J. A. WHITE.
C. M. VAN PELT.	J. E. ABRAMS.	A. C. TURRELL.
	U. G. HUMPHREY.	A. B. AUSTIN.
	G. V. MORRIS.	M. B. FULLER.

### b. ASSIGNMENT OF BOOKS AND SUBJECTS.

N. B.—The figures appended to each study indicate the number of minutes allotted to the examination.

**Section 1.** U. G. HUMPHREY.—Outlines of Universal History, *Fisher*, 60; Leading Facts of American History, *Montgomery*, 60; Introduction to the Gospel Records, *Nast*, 45.

**Section 2.** H. D. KETCHAM.—Introduction to the Holy Scriptures, *Harman*, 90; Smaller Scripture History, *Smith*, 45; Theological Compend, *Binney*, 45.

**Section 3.** W. H. WEHRLY.—Systematic Theology, *Miley*, 90; Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience, *Merrill*, 60; Christian Baptism, *Merrill*, 60.

**Section 4.** J. A. STORY.—Exegetical Studies in the Gospels, *Horswell*, 60; Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch, *Warren*, 60; Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, *Warren*, 60; Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, *Walker*, 60.

**Section 5.** G. V. MORRIS.—Biblical Hermeneutics, *Terry*, 90; Plain Account of Christian Perfection, *Wesley*, 45; Sermons and Essays of Local Preachers.

**Section 6.** C. L. CONGER.—History of the Christian Church, *Hurst*, 60; Short History of the Christian Church, *Hurst*, 45.

**Section 7.** M. B. FULLER.—Theological Encyclopedia and Methodology, *Crooks and Hurst*, 90; Principles of Rhetoric, *Hill*, 60.

**Section 8.** F. G. MITCHELL.—Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1896, 60; Digest of Methodist Law, *Merrill*, 60.

**Section 9.** J. A. WHITE.—Elementary English Branches; Life of John Wesley, *Telford*, 60; Systematic Theology, *Raymond*, 60.

**Section 10.** A. C. TURRELL.—Rudimentary Psychology, *Steele*; Elements of Psychology, *Hill*, 60; Larger Catechism, *Nast*, 45; Sermons of Candidates for Admission; Books to be read by Local Preachers.

**Section 11.** C. M. VAN PELT.—The Supernatural Book, *Foster*, 90; Outlines of Bible History, *Hurst*, 45; Essays of Candidates for Admission; Books to be read.

**Section 12.** J. E. ABRAMS.—Manual of Christian Evidences, *Row*, 60; Sermons and Essays Class of First Year; Books to be read.

**Section 13.** J. P. PORTER.—Lessons in Logic, *Jevons*, 60; Sermons and Essays Class of Second Year; Books to be read.

**Section 14.** G. W. DUBOIS.—English and American Literature, *Wheeler*, 90; Sermons and Essays, Class of Third Year; Books to be read.

**Section 15.** W. A. ROBINSON.—Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching, *Buckley*, 60; Preparation and Delivery of Sermons, *Broadus*, 60; Sermons and Essays, Class of Fourth Year; Books to be read.

**Section 16.** A. B. AUSTIN.—Analogy of Natural and Revealed Religion, *Butler*, 90; History of American Methodism, *Stevens*, 60; The Atonement in Christ, *Miley*, 60; The Sacraments, *Watson*, 45.

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### c. EXAMINATIONS.

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EXAMINATIONS will be held in Book Concern Hall, Cincinnati; Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Dayton; Methodist Episcopal Church, Greenfield; and High Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Springfield,—at 10 A. M., December 7, 1899, and at 9 A. M., June 28, 1900, and in Methodist Episcopal Church, seat of Conference, at 9 A. M. the day before the Conference session of 1900.

Examinations in November will be in:

FIRST YEAR.—Plain Account of Christian Perfection, *Wesley*; Principles of Rhetoric, *Hill*; Exegetical Studies in the Gospels, *Horswell*.

SECOND YEAR.—Exegetical Studies in the Pauline Epistles, *Horswell*; Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1896; Outlines of Universal History: Modern, *Fisher*.

THIRD YEAR.—Exegetical Studies in the Pentateuch, *Warren*; Written Sermon; History of the Christian Church, Vol. I, *Hurst*.

FOURTH YEAR.—Exegetical Studies in Isaiah, *Warren*; Preparation and Delivery of Sermons, *Broadus*; History of the Christian Church, Vol. II, *Hurst*.

EXAMINATIONS IN JUNE.—Remaining Studies of Four Years' Course.

### RULES FOR EXAMINATIONS.

1. New lists of questions shall be prepared for each regular examination, and each list shall be properly folded for filing, and indorsed with the title of the text-book, and the name and address of the examiner.

2. The maximum number of questions on any branch shall be twenty; the minimum, ten.

3. Each examiner shall retain one copy of his own questions.

4. At all examinations the paper used shall be of letter size and of good quality.

5. The answers given on any study shall be folded and indorsed with the title of the text-book, and the name and address of the student.

6. At the close of an examination, the examiner in charge shall at once send all lists of questions to the Chairman of the Board.

7. The examiner in charge shall seal each envelope containing answers to questions, address it to the proper examiner, and permit the student to stamp and mail it.

8. Each examiner shall send grades promptly to the registrar and to the student.

9. Grades recorded by the registrar shall not be changed, except with the consent of the Board.

10. No student securing a grade of 70 per cent or more shall be re-examined.

11. The examiner shall retain all papers of undergraduates until the student has completed the course.

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#### d. CLASSES.

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FOURTH YEAR, 1900.—	John L. Duckwall, . . .	Member, Elder.
	Oliver P. Hoffman, . .	Member, Elder.
	Harley E. Armacost, . .	Member, Deacon.
	James A. Geissinger, . .	Member, Deacon.
	*Warren J. Dunham, . .	Member, Deacon.
	*Archie W. Hook, . . .	Member, Elder.
THIRD YEAR, 1901.—	Wm. L. Spence, . . . .	Probationer, not ordained.
	Howard L. Torbet, . . .	Member, Deacon.
	Henry C. Hutchinson, .	Member, Deacon.
	Samuel A. Stephan, . .	Probationer, not ordained.
	David G. Latslaw, . . .	Probationer, Deacon.
SECOND YEAR, 1902.—	Sheridan W. Bell, . . .	Probationer, Deacon.
	Lewis A. Washburn, . .	Probationer, Elder.
FIRST YEAR, 1903.—	Charles P. Pumphrey, .	Probationer, not ordained.
	Samuel A. Keen, . . . .	Probationer, Deacon.

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\*Conditioned on Church History.



## VI.

### Miscellany.

#### ABSTRACT OF THE MINUTES

Of the Board of Trustees of the Cincinnati Conference.

Funds invested as follows:

Little Miami Railroad bonds.....	\$1,500 00
Building and Loan Association, West Carrollton.....	950 00
Interest-bearing notes.....	3,800 00
Lot in Madisonville.....	70 00
In bank.....	450 00

Total.....\$6,770 00

Interest received for the year:

On Little Miami Railroad bond.....	\$120 00
On several notes.....	359 85
Dividend defunct bank.....	4 00

Total.....\$483 85

Paid out during the year:

Taxes on lot in Madisonville.....	\$3 71
Traveling expenses.....	2 29
	6 00

Paid Board of Stewards of Conference.....\$477 85

Report examined and found correct.—J. D. Moore, Church Auditing Committee.

J. P. PORTER, *Secretary*.

H. C. WEAKLEY, *President*.

September 5, 1899.

#### MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1900.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—The Cincinnati Annual Conference hereby sends greetings to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in May, 1900, requesting the most careful and kind attention of your distinguished body to the claims and advantages of the organization of male members of the Methodist Episcopal Church known as the Charles Wesley Brotherhood.

WHEREAS, The Society originated within the Cincinnati Conference, and has now organizations within a number of pastoral charges in which its practical workings have been carefully tested, and found to produce only beneficial results; and

WHEREAS, It is equally well adapted to the whole world-wide territory of Methodism; and

WHEREAS, Its plans and structure are of the greatest simplicity,  
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capable of adjustment to any field, and its object the promotion of the highest interests of intelligent, spiritual, social, and benevolent Methodism; and

WHEREAS, There is in its euphonious name the charm of poetry and the power and inspiration of historic association with the co-founder of Methodism;

Therefore, The Cincinnati Annual Conference most earnestly and respectfully memorializes and petitions the General Conference to give such recognition and place in the economy of the Methodist Episcopal Church to the Charles Wesley Brotherhood as may encourage and foster the formation of auxiliaries or societies of the Charles Wesley Brotherhood in all charges where it may find favor and be judged to be advantageous. We are entirely confident that the Charles Wesley Brotherhood will be found helpful to the prayer-meeting, class-meeting, Sunday-school, congregation, revival and financial interests of the local Church, and, at the same time, helpful to the missionary, educational, publishing, and other connectional work of Methodism.

In thus petitioning the General Conference, it is not the recommendation nor wish of the petitioners that any new office shall be created, or any salaried officer shall be elected or appointed by the General Conference to promote this cause, but that its advantages may be approvingly noted, and that the formation of societies of the Charles Wesley Brotherhood be committed and commended to the pastors and official boards of pastoral charges of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

E. O. BUXTON,	M. E. KETCHAM,
G. W. DUBOIS,	W. A. DEATON,
W. A. ROBINSON,	R. J. WYCKOFF.

### THE JOHN MEARS BEQUEST.

#### Report of the Trustees for the year ending August 31, 1899.

Funds invested by the Trustees.....\$7,750 00

#### Resources:

Sept. 1, 1898—Cash on hand for general distribution.....	\$18 75
Cash due Cincinnati Ladies' Home Mission.....	803 43
	<hr/> \$822 18
Cash receipts from interest on bonds and notes from Sept. 1, 1898, to Aug. 31, 1899.....	369 00
Cash received from interest on interest due Cincinnati Ladies' Home Missionary Society invested ..	112 14
	<hr/> \$1,303 32

#### Disbursements:

Oct. 1, 1898.—Ohio Wesleyan University, per voucher on file.....	\$64 63
Illinois Wesleyan University per voucher on file.....	64 62
Cincinnati Conference Claimants.....	129 25
Feb. 1, 1899—Cincinnati Ladies' Home Missionary Society, per voucher on file.....	1,037 52
Traveling expenses of Trustees, per voucher on file.....	7 30
	<hr/> 1,303 32
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It is gratifying to report that the Trustees have been officially notified of an election of officers by the Cincinnati Ladies' Home Missionary Society, resultant upon a meeting of that Society, in accordance with the suggestions of the Cincinnati Conference. The Trustees have therefore paid over to that Society the funds due it under the will, and have accepted receipt therefor.

Respectfully,

THOMAS H. PEARNE,  
JOHN PEARSON,  
J. R. CLARK,

*Trustees of the John Mears Bequest.*

### DEACONESS SCHOOL.

YOUR Committee has investigated the subject of conducting literary institutions for girls and young women, through the agency of teaching deaconesses, and begs leave to report:

Our appointment was made September 6, 1898, and October 11th, following, the Rock River Conference transferred the property known as Jennings Seminary, at Aurora, Illinois, to the Methodist Episcopal Deaconess Society for the purpose of carrying on just such a school as was contemplated for the property in Springfield, Ohio. A flourishing school has been maintained, and promises to become a permanent and popular institution.

We corresponded with the officers of the Deaconess Society, and they sent a representative to examine the situation. They decided that it would be impossible for them to give satisfactory assurance, at this time, concerning the grade of school they could maintain, and your trustees for the Springfield property were compelled to look to others for relief.

We recommend that the action suggested by the Trustees to the Conference be carried out.

FRANK G. MITCHELL,  
M. M. KUGLER.

### TRUSTEES OF SPRINGFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND FEMALE COLLEGE IN REGARD TO THE DISPOSITION OF ITS PROPERTY.

WE submit the following plan as a compromise measure for the disposal of the property:

*Resolved*, 1. That, in the judgment of the members of the Cincinnati Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, it is impractical for this Conference to maintain, under denominational auspices, a school of the character contemplated and required by the charter and required by the deed of conveyance of the grounds formerly owned and controlled by the Springfield High School.

*Resolved*, 2. That the fund known as the McFadden Bequest, amounting to \$6,000 or more, shall be paid by the Trustees of the Springfield High School and Female College to the Treasurer of the Ohio Wesleyan University, the proceeds to be used for the promotion of education, complying with the will of John McFadden, deceased.

*Resolved*, 3. That the Trustees of the Springfield High School and Female College be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to convey, by quit claim, to the Trustees of High Street Methodist Episcopal Church for church purposes, the thirty-six feet of ground fronting on High Street, and adjoining the lands of said High Street church, being the lot purchased from Charles Elliott and wife, May 14, 1850.

*Resolved*, 4. That the Trustees of the Springfield High School and Female College be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to convey, by quit-claim, to the Trustees of the Springfield Seminary, the lot fronting one hundred feet on High Street and two hundred and sixty feet deep to Section Alley, said Springfield Seminary to be incorporated under and according to the laws of Ohio, and to take the place of the first named Springfield High School and Female College.

Provided, however, that no conveyance shall be made of said property to the Springfield Seminary until such safeguards and guarantees and reversionary clauses are incorporated in said conveyance, as a Committee hereafter appointed may agree upon.

WHEREAS, The Springfield High School and Female College contemplate transferring their ground and buildings to a corporation to be known as the Springfield Seminary.

Now, therefore, we, the undersigned, being resident citizens of the city of Springfield, Ohio, do pledge ourselves to receive and hold said property for the purpose of carrying out the original intention and obligations imposed on the Springfield High School and Female College.

In accordance with the preamble and resolutions hereto attached and made part hereof.

ROBT. JOHNSON,  
PAUL A. STALING,  
JOHN L. PLUMMER,  
J. S. CROWELL,  
GEO. H. PHILLIPS,  
GEO. K. SHARPE,  
DAMON Q. FOX,  
LEVI M. GOODE,  
CHAS. S. KAY,  
FRANK C. JOHNSON,  
JAMES JOHNSON, JR.,  
J. A. HAYWARD,

W. S. MERIDITH,  
D. S. BRADLEY,  
J. B. CLINGERMAN,  
CHAS. P. KALBFUS,  
JACOB SCOWDEN,  
J. S. HARSHMAN,  
W. L. SNYDER,  
D. F. SNYDER,  
JOHN L. ZIMMERMAN,  
J. E. BOWMAN,  
H. C. DIMOND.

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### GLENN HOME.

GLENN HOME, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, has completed another year of good work.

Three kindergartens have been sustained, one at Glenn Home, another at our "Mission," corner of Front and Fifth Streets, and a third at Riverside.

Sabbath-school has been held each Sunday morning at the "Mission," and evangelistic meetings each Thursday evening.

A kitchengarten, sewing classes for all ages, class in elocution, mothers' meetings, etc., have been held regularly.

All who come under our influence are banded together in missionary societies, as our aim is to save the people that they may save others. Glenn Home has two Auxiliaries of the Women's Home Missionary Society, one Band, and about seventy Mother's Jewels.

The Home Department, which gives the shelter of a Christian home to any young woman needing the same, has at times tested the capacity of the building.

Six missionaries and kindergartners have been kept steadily at work during the year. Five thousand two hundred visits have been made. Thousands of religious papers have been distributed. Hundreds of neatly mended garments have been sold at trifling sums, so as not to encourage pauperism. Much attention has been given to the Social Department. Picnics, birthday parties, and many free entertainments of much profit have been given during the year.

## PREACHERS' RELIEF.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 1, 1898 . . . . .	\$1,623 00
Received on notes and accounts . . . . .	2,847 00
Received rent and interest . . . . .	901 67
Received membership fees . . . . .	87 00
Received donation from Bishop J. P. Newman . . . . .	50 00
Received interest, etc., during Conference . . . . .	471 00
Received membership fees . . . . .	75 00
Received donation from Bishop Walden . . . . .	25 00
Received from Butler County farm . . . . .	186 32

Total . . . . . \$6,265 99

## EXPENDITURES.

Loaned on notes . . . . .	\$1,884 00
Paid taxes on real estate . . . . .	14 36
Expenses . . . . .	181 45
Paid on donations and interest . . . . .	641 67
Settlement of Chalfant estate . . . . .	2,108 47
Cash on hand . . . . .	1,436 04

Total . . . . . \$6,265 99

T. COLLETT, *Treasurer.*

## AUDITING COMMITTEE.

THE Committee appointed to audit the accounts of Rev. Thomas Collett, D. D., Treasurer of Preachers' Relief Society of the Cincinnati Conference, would report that they found the accounts accurate in all particulars. They received from Dr. Collett, and turned over to Dr. H. C. Weakley, the Treasurer-elect, the following property:

Forty-one notes, with a face value of . . . . .	\$18,787 90
Ten mortgages, with a face value of . . . . .	14,150 00
Insurance policies, value . . . . .	6,200 00
Deeds—Farm in Xenia, valued at . . . . .	3,950 00
Butler County farm, valued at . . . . .	10,838 75
Hamilton County farm, valued at . . . . .	16,200 00
Check for cash on hand . . . . .	1,436 04

This property may be divided as follows:

## Productive capital:

Interest-bearing notes . . . . .	\$12,712 90
Xenia farm value . . . . .	3,950 00
Butler County farm . . . . .	10,838 75
	<hr/> \$27,501 65

## Non-productive capital:

Non-interest-bearing notes . . . . .	\$6,075 00
Farm in Hamilton County, in which Mrs. Dye has a life interest . . . . .	16,200 00
	<hr/> 22,275 00
Cash on hand . . . . .	1,436 04

Total capital . . . . . \$51,212 69

MERRICK E. KETCHAM,  
R. E. SMITH,  
R. K. DEEM,

Cincinnati, September 6, 1899.

*Auditing Committee.*

## THE TWENTIETH-CENTURY THANK-OFFERING.

PURSUANT to your appointment yesterday, the presiding elders submit the following report:

The Cincinnati Annual Conference is in full sympathy with the raising of a Twentieth-century Thank-offering, as proposed by our Bishops and approved by many of the Annual Conferences. Such an offering should be the expression of our profound and earnest gratitude to our gracious Heavenly Father for his abundant favor toward us, as a people, through all our wonderful history. It should, also, and especially, express our faith for larger and grander work in God's kingdom, and for more signal success in soul-saving in the future than we have ever before shown.

We are also in fullest sympathy with the proposed object of our united endeavor to compass the salvation of two millions of souls within the prescribed period of this movement. The sum named, \$20,000,000, is not too large for our ability. And certainly it is not too large as measuring our gratitude to God for his marvelous, loving kindness to our fathers and to us. Indeed, nothing we can do for God is too good nor too much. Neither is the sum named excessive as an adequate equipment for our meeting effectively the opportunities and responsibilities already imminent. That sum would also afford good promise of becoming a strong, auxiliary factor of a larger and better work for Christ than we have ever done. Our Christian educational institutions should be liberally endowed. Special effort should be made to secure at least a million dollars for the Ohio Wesleyan University. Church extension provisions should be larger in number and in momentum. Church debts should be canceled, so that every organized Church in our connection would be unhindered in attempting the largest possible things for God's glory and for human uplifting and welfare. The million dollars proposed to be raised for the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society should be forthcoming at the earliest possible day. In this Conference, the original and continuous seat of this stupendous charity, this feature of the Twentieth-century Thank-offering should hold a cherished and warm place. So, also, if possible, the Conference Claimants' Fund should have conspicuous and generous giving. Our earnest and united prayer and faith are demanded in raising this thank-offering to be laid upon God's altar, and also in the gathering into the Good Shepherd's fold two millions of souls. For this high intent the whole Church should expect and receive pentecostal baptisms of celestial power for an early and mighty grapple with "spiritual wickedness in high places."

We recommend, therefore, the following plan for the organization of this Annual Conference and its districts and charges for the achievement of the great purposes outlined in this report, with the recommendation, also, that, if the Bishop and the presiding elders shall deem it wise and desirable, a Conference Secretary shall be appointed, who shall seek, in all practicable ways, to subserve and promote the objects sought in this Twentieth-century Movement. The plan proposed is the following:

*Resolved*, 1. That we recommend to the Annual Conference to appoint a Twentieth-century Thank-offering Commission to represent the Conference during the interval between its sessions, to consist of the presiding elder, a pastor and layman from each presiding elder's district, and two members at large of the Conference, and two laymen.

*Resolved*, 2. The above persons shall have charge of the Twentieth-century Thank-offering Movement within the Conference and under its direction.

*Resolved*, 3. The work of the Commission on each district shall be under the charge of the presiding elder of the district, the pastor and

layman who are the members of the Conference Commission from the district, and such others as they may choose to associate with them in the prosecution of their work.

*Resolved*, 4. The Commission on each charge shall consist of the pastor and two persons chosen by the District Commission and approved by the pastor; but the Quarterly Conference may add to this number.

*Resolved*, 5. That the Conference Commission shall arrange for at least one Conference Convention during the year, and for an anniversary at the session of the Annual Conference. The District Commission shall arrange for District and Group Conventions, and shall assist the Local Commission on each charge in arranging for meetings at every appointment.

*Resolved*, 6. The Commissions above mentioned shall use due diligence in promoting the circulation of the Twentieth-century Thank-offering campaign literature.

*Resolved*, 7. That every Conference be, and hereby is, earnestly requested to lay special and emphatic stress on the following considerations:

(1) The pre-eminent importance of arriving at *spiritual results*.

(2) The urgent necessity that every donor should make his thank-offering a *special gift*, and not allow it at all to interfere with his regular contributions to our Churches, institutions, and benevolent societies.

(3) The right of each contributor to *designate the object* to which his offering shall be applied, within the limits fixed by the Twentieth-century Thank-offering Commission.

*Resolved*, 8. All subscriptions and gifts shall be reported quarterly to the Secretaries of these Commissions and to the General Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Edmund M. Mills, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

J. F. MARLAY,

GEO. H. DART,

R. H. RUST,

THOMAS H. PEARNE.

C. W. BARNES,

### HISTORICAL DATA OF THE DELEGATED GENERAL CONFERENCES.

Year	PLACE.	DATE.	No. of Business Days.	No. of Delegates.	Ratio.	No. of Church Members.
1812	New York, . .	May 1-22, . . . .	19	90	1 in 5	195,357
1816	Baltimore, . .	May 1-24, . . . .	21	106	"	214,235
1820	" . .	May 1-27, . . . .	24	89	1 in 7	259,890
1824	" . .	May 1-28, . . . .	24	125	"	328,523
1828	Pittsburg, . .	May 1-24, . . . .	21	160	"	381,997
1832	Philadelphia, .	May 1-28, . . . .	24	197	"	513,114
1836	Cincinnati, . .	May 1-27, . . . .	23	147	1 in 14	652,528
1840	Baltimore, . .	May 1-June 3, . .	29	128	1 in 21	795,445
1844	New York, . .	May 1-June 10, . .	35	180	"	1,171,356
1848	Pittsburg, . .	May 1-June 1, . .	28	151	"	639,036
1852	Boston, . . . .	May 1-June 1, . .	27	178	"	728,700
1856	Indianapolis, .	May 1-June 4, . .	30	217	"	800,327
1860	Buffalo, . . . .	May 2-June 4, . .	30	221	1 in 27	994,447
1864	Philadelphia, .	May 2-27, . . . .	23	216	1 in 30	928,340
1868	Chicago, . . . .	May 1-June 2, . .	27	231	"	1,255,115
1872	Brooklyn, . . .	May 1-June 4, . .	30	*292-129	"	1,458,441
1876	Baltimore, . .	May 1-31, . . . .	27	222-133	1 in 45	1,622,291
1880	Cincinnati, . .	May 1-28, . . . .	24	248-151	"	1,742,992
1884	Philadelphia, .	May 1-28, . . . .	24	261-156	"	1,835,490
1888	New York, . .	May 1-31, . . . .	27	288-175	"	2,154,349
1892	Omaha, . . . .	May 2-26, . . . .	21	315-189	"	2,442,627
1896	Cleveland, . .	May 1-28, . . . .	24	341-204	"	2,766,656

\* The first number indicates the Ministerial, and the second the Lay membership in each Conference from 1872 on.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES FROM THE CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

- 1856.—Wm. Young, W. Nast, J. B. Finley, J. W. Fowble, G. W. Walker, A. Brown, C. Brooks, A. Lowrey, M. Dustin. *Reserves*: J. T. Mitchell, Charles Elliott, W. Ahrens.
- 1860.—Wm. Nast, W. Young, J. T. Mitchell, M. Smith, M. Marlay, G. Moody, D. Reed. *Reserves*: W. Ahrens, M. Dustin, G. C. Crum.
- 1864.—L. D. McCabe, W. Nast, W. Young, M. Smith, G. Moody, M. Dustin. *Reserves*: W. H. Lawder, J. W. Fowble, J. A. Klein.
- 1868.—A. Lowrey, J. Kendall, Wm. Young, J. M. Walden, J. Armstrong. *Reserves*: M. Dustin, J. F. Chalfant.
- 1872.—J. W. Weakley, J. M. Walden, J. F. Marlay, R. S. Rust, J. F. Chalfant. *Reserves*: G. C. Crum, A. Lowrey. *Lay delegates*: Ichabod Corwin, Philip B. Swing. *Reserves*: Jacob Chambers, J. M. Phillips.
- 1876.—J. M. Walden, A. Lowrey, J. F. Marlay, G. Moody. *Reserves*: W. H. Sutherland, R. S. Rust. *Lay*: C. W. Rowland, W. R. Warnock. *Reserves*: Jacob Chambers, W. M. Meek.
- 1880.—J. M. Walden, W. L. Hypes, C. H. Payne, W. I. Fee. *Reserves*: S. A. Brewster, R. S. Rust. *Lay*: Edward Sargent, H. Elliott. *Reserves*: E. W. Mullikin, W. M. Meek.
- 1884.—J. M. Walden, A. B. Leonard, C. H. Payne, Wm. Runyan. *Reserves*: R. S. Rust, L. F. Van Cleve. *Lay*: P. P. Mast, John W. Dale. *Reserves*: Thomas Brown, John C. Brooke.
- 1888.—C. H. Payne, A. B. Leonard, J. H. Bayliss, I. W. Joyce. *Reserves*: R. S. Rust, John Pearson. *Lay*: John E. Jones, John K. Pollard. *Reserves*: W. R. Warnock, Andrew Coffman.
- 1892.—A. B. Leonard, C. H. Payne, John Pearson, T. H. Pearne. *Reserves*: Wm. Runyan, H. C. Weakley. *Lay*: Wm. W. Wilson, James N. Gamble. *Reserves*: P. P. Mast, B. R. Cowen.
- 1896.—A. B. Leonard, C. H. Payne, J. W. Bashford, F. G. Mitchell, H. C. Weakley. *Reserves*: John Pearson, R. H. Rust. *Lay*: Geo. B. Johnson, C. W. Bennett. *Reserves*: Alexander Boxwell, P. P. Mast.
- 1900.—A. B. Leonard, Geo. H. Dart, J. W. Bashford, J. P. Porter. *Reserves*: S. O. Royal, John A. Story. *Lay*: W. R. Warnock, J. N. Gamble. *Reserves*: H. C. Minnich, Geo. B. Johnson. *Provisional*: R. D. Burns, C. L. Greeno. *Alternates*: Alexander Boxwell, Richard Dymond.



## VOTE FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

DELEGATES.	First Ballot, . . .	Second Ballot, . .	Third Ballot, . . .	RESERVE DELEGATES.				
				First Ballot, .	Second Ballot, .	Third Ballot, .	Fourth Ballot, .	Fifth Ballot, .
Whole number of votes cast,	166	145	137	147	152	141	138	130
Necessary to a choice, . . .	84	73	69	74	77	71	70	66
A. B. Leonard,* . . . . .	136	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Bashford,* . . . . .	75	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
George H. Dart,* . . . . .	72	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richard H. Rust, . . . . .	43	33	17	39	51	21	9	2
James P. Porter,* . . . . .	42	66	96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. W. Gullette, . . . . .	41	27	12	37	52	66	59	36
T. H. Pearne, . . . . .	32	22	3	19	13	.....	.....	.....
John Pearson, . . . . .	32	15	3	18	16	4	.....	.....
J. A. Story,* . . . . .	32	19	2	34	43	42	63	90
H. C. Weakley, . . . . .	27	18	2	25	26	17	1	.....
J. F. Marlay, . . . . .	23	14	.....	14	8	2	.....	.....
S. O. Royal,* . . . . .	22	14	1	33	53	114	.....	.....
W. A. Robinson, . . . . .	20	10	.....	13	9	3	.....	.....
C. W. Barnes, . . . . .	17	9	.....	12	10	5	3	1
Frank G. Mitchell, . . . .	13	9	1	20	17	5	2	.....
Heber D. Ketcham, . . . .	9	5	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....
Wm. Runyan, . . . . .	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. G. Vaughan, . . . . .	3	1	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....
V. F. Brown, . . . . .	3	.....	.....	3	1	1	.....	.....
Geo. K. Morris, . . . . .	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Magruder, . . . . .	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
D. L. Aultman, . . . . .	2	.....	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....
P. C. Curnick, . . . . .	2	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....
J. T. Bail, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....
M. B. Fuller, . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....

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# CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

## WESTERN CONFERENCE.

YEAR	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1800.	October 6, . .	Bethel Academy, Ky., .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1801.	October 1, . .	Ebenezer, Tenn., . . .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1802.	October 1, . .	Bethel Academy, Ky., .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1803.	October 2, . .	Mt. Gerizim, Ky., . . .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1804.	October 2, . .	Mt. Gerizim, Ky., . . .	W. McKendree, . .	William Burke.
1805.	October 2, . .	Anthony Houston, Ky., .	{ Francis Asbury, . . Richard Whatcoat, . .	William Burke.
1806.	September 15,	Ebenezer, Tenn., . . .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1807.	September 14,	Chillicothe, O., . . . .	Francis Asbury, . .	William Burke.
1808.	October 1, . .	Liberty Hill, Tenn., . .	{ Francis Asbury, . . W. McKendree, . .	William Burke.
1809.	September 30,	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	{ Francis Asbury, . . W. McKendree, . .	William Burke.
1810.	September 6, .	Shelbyville, Ky., . . . .	W. McKendree, . .	William Burke.
1811.	October 5, . .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	W. McKendree, . .	Learner Blackman.

## OHIO CONFERENCE.

1812.	October 1, . .	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	W. McKendree, . .	Charles Holliday.
1813.	September 1, .	Steubenville, O., . . . . .	W. McKendree, . .	David Young.
1814.	September 8, .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	John Sale, P. E., . .	David Young.
1815.	September 14,	Lebanon, O., . . . . .	W. McKendree, . .	David Young.
1816.	September 3, .	Louisville, Ky., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . Enoch George, . .	David Young.
1817.	September 3, .	Zanesville, O., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . R. R. Roberts, . .	David Young.
1818.	August 7, . .	Steubenville, O., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . Enoch George, . .	John Tevis.
1819.	August 7, . .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . Enoch George, . .	Cornelius Springer.
1820.	August 8, . .	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	Cornelius Springer.
1821.	September 6, .	Lebanon, O., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . R. R. Roberts, . .	Cornelius Springer.
1822.	September 5, .	Marietta, O., . . . . .	{ Enoch George, . . W. McKendree, . .	Cornelius Springer.
1823.	September 3, .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	Cornelius Springer.
1824.	September 2, .	Zanesville, O., . . . . .	{ W. McKendree, . . R. R. Roberts, . . J. Soule, . . . . .	James Collard.
1825.	October 12, . .	Columbus, O., . . . . .	Enoch George, . .	Isaac C. Hunter.
1826.	October 4, . .	Hillsboro, O., . . . . .	E. Hedding, . . . .	G. R. Jones.
1827.	September 19,	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	Enoch George, . .	G. R. Jones.
1828.	September 18,	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	G. R. Jones.
1829.	September 3, .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	{ R. R. Roberts, . . W. McKendree, . .	G. R. Jones.
1830.	September 8, .	Lancaster, O., . . . . .	J. Soule, . . . . .	H. O. Sheldon.
1831.	September 8, .	Mansfield, O., . . . . .	E. Hedding, . . . .	H. O. Sheldon.
1832.	September 19,	Dayton, O., . . . . .	J. Emory, . . . . .	H. O. Sheldon.
1833.	August 21, . .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	H. O. Sheldon.
1834.	August 20, . .	Circleville, O., . . . . .	J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1835.	August 19, . .	Springfield, O., . . . . .	{ O. J. Andrew, . . . J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1836.	September 28,	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1837.	September 27,	Xenia, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	J. M. Trimble.
1838.	September 26,	Columbus, O., . . . . .	B. Waugh, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1839.	September 18,	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1840.	September 30,	Zanesville, O., . . . . .	{ E. Hedding, . . . . J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1841.	August 25, . .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	R. R. Roberts, . .	J. M. Trimble.
1842.	September 28,	Hamilton, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1843.	September 27,	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1844.	September 4, .	Marietta, O., . . . . .	{ B. Waugh, . . . . . J. Soule, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1845.	September 3, .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	L. L. Hamline, . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1846.	September 2, .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1847.	September 1, .	Columbus, O., . . . . .	E. S. Jones, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1848.	September 27,	Newark, O., . . . . .	L. L. Hamline, . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1849.	September 19,	Dayton, O., . . . . .	{ B. Waugh, . . . . . L. L. Hamline, . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1850.	September 18,	Chillicothe, O., . . . . .	{ E. S. Jones, . . . . . T. A. Morris, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.
1851.	September 17,	Springfield, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . . .	J. M. Trimble.

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1852.	September 22,	Xenia, O., . . . . .	E. S. Janes, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1853.	September 28,	Hillsboro, O., . . . . .	E. S. Janes, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1854.	September 23,	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	L. Scott, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1855.	September 26,	Urbana, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1856.	October 1, . . .	Ripley, O., . . . . .	E. R. Ames, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1857.	September 9, . .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1858.	September 8, . .	Lebanon, O., . . . . .	E. S. Janes, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1859.	September 7, . .	Dayton, O., . . . . .	E. R. Ames, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1860.	September 5, . .	Oxford, O., . . . . .	M. Simpson, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1861.	September 4, . .	Springfield, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1862.	September 3, . .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	E. R. Ames, . . . . .	J. T. Mitchell.
1863.	September 2, . .	Xenia, O., . . . . .	O. C. Baker, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1864.	September 8, . .	Greenfield, O., . . . . .	M. Simpson, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1865.	August 30, . . .	Troy, O., . . . . .	D. W. Clark, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1866.	August 29, . . .	Ripley, O., . . . . .	E. Thomson, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1867.	August 28, . . .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	T. A. Morris, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1868.	August 26, . . .	Hamilton, O., . . . . .	D. W. Clark, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1869.	August 25, . . .	Hillsboro, O., . . . . .	E. R. Ames, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1870.	August 24, . . .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	E. S. Janes, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1871.	August 30, . . .	Dayton, O., . . . . .	L. Scott, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1872.	August 28, . . .	Eaton, O., . . . . .	I. W. Wiley, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1873.	August 27, . . .	Springfield, O., . . . . .	E. R. Ames, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1874.	August 26, . . .	Wilmington, O., . . . . .	R. S. Foster, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1875.	September 1, . .	Cincinnati, O., . . . . .	E. G. Andrews, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1876.	August 30, . . .	Oxford, O., . . . . .	S. M. Merrill, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1877.	September 5, . .	Xenia, O., . . . . .	A. Haven, . . . . .	W. H. Sutherland.
1878.	September 4, . .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	W. L. Harris, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1879.	September 3, . .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	M. Simpson, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1880.	September 1, . .	Middletown, O., . . . . .	Jesse T. Peck, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1881.	September 7, . .	Springfield, O., . . . . .	Isaac W. Wiley, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1882.	September 6, . .	Dayton, O., . . . . .	T. Bowman, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1883.	September 5, . .	Hamilton, O., . . . . .	R. S. Foster, . . . . .	David Judson Starr.
1884.	September 3, . .	Hillsboro, O., . . . . .	S. M. Merrill, . . . . .	Frank G. Mitchell.
1885.	September 3, . .	Walnut Hills, Cin'ti, O., . . . . .	W. L. Harris, . . . . .	Frank G. Mitchell.
1886.	September 2, . .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	J. M. Walden, . . . . .	Frank G. Mitchell.
1887.	August 31, . . .	Mechanicsburg, O., . . . . .	E. G. Andrews, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1888.	September 5, . .	Jamestown, O., . . . . .	H. W. Warren, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1889.	September 4, . .	Xenia, O., . . . . .	S. M. Merrill, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1890.	August 27, . . .	Greenville, O., . . . . .	I. W. Joyce, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1891.	September 2, . .	Urbana, O., . . . . .	R. S. Foster, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1892.	August 31, . . .	Middletown, O., . . . . .	W. X. Ninde, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1893.	August 30, . . .	Troy, O., . . . . .	J. F. Hurst, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1894.	September 5, . .	Wilmington, O., . . . . .	D. A. Goodsell, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1895.	August 28, . . .	Hamilton, O., . . . . .	C. D. Foss, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1896.	September 2, . .	Piqua, O., . . . . .	S. M. Merrill, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1897.	September 1, . .	Springfield, O., . . . . .	W. F. Mallalieu, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1898.	August 31, . . .	Xenia, O., . . . . .	John H. Vincent, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.
1899.	August 30, . . .	St. Paul, Dayton, O., . . . . .	E. G. Andrews, . . . . .	Stanley O. Royal.

# VII.

# In Memoriam.

"Call the laborers and give them their hire."—MATT. XX, 8.

## DECEASED BISHOPS.

NAME.	BORN.	ENT'D MINISTRY.		Conse- crated Bishop.	REMARKS.
		Conference.	Y'r.		
Thomas Coke.....	Sept. 9, 1747	Brit. Wes.	1778	1784	Died at sea, May 3, 1814.
Francis Asbury.....	Aug. 20, 1745	Brit. Wes.	1766	1784	Died in Virginia, March 31, 1816.
Richard Whatcoat.....	Feb. 23, 1735	Brit. Wes.	1769	1800	Died in Delaware, July 5, 1806.
William McKendree.....	July 5, 1757	M. E. Ch.	1788	1808	Died in Tennessee, March 5, 1835.
Enoch George.....	Mar. 10, 1768	M. E. Ch.	1790	1816	Died in Virginia, August 23, 1828.
Robert R. Roberts.....	Aug. 2, 1778	Baltimore.	1802	1816	Died in Indiana, March 28, 1813.
Joshua Soule.....	Aug. 1, 1781	New York.	1799	1824	Entered M. E. Ch. So., '46, died Mar. 6, '67.
Eljah Hedding.....	Jan. 7, 1780	New Eng..	1801	1824	Died in Poughkeepsie, April 9, 1852.
James Osgood Andrew....	May 3, 1794	S. Carol'a	1813	1832	Bish. M. E. Ch. So., '46; died Mar. 1, '71
John Emory.....	April 11, 1789	Phila.....	1810	1832	Died in Maryland, December 16, 1835.
Beverly Waughl.....	Oct. 25, 1789	Baltimore.	1809	1836	Died in Maryland, February 9, 1858.
Thomas A. Morris.....	April 28, 1794	Ohio.....	1816	1836	Died in Springfield, O., Sept. 2, 1874.
Leonidas L. Hamline....	May 10, 1797	Ohio.....	1833	1844	Resig'd 1832; died in Iowa, Mar. 22, '65.
Edmund Storer Jaues....	April 27, 1807	Phila.....	1830	1844	Died in New York, Sept. 18, 1876.
Levi Scott.....	Oct. 11, 1802	Phila.....	1825	1852	Died in Odessa, July 13, 1882.
Matthew Simpson.....	June 21, 1811	Pittsburg	1834	1852	Died in Philadelphia, June 18, 1884.
Osmon C. Baker.....	July 30, 1812	N. Hampt.	1839	1852	Died in Concord, N. H., Dec. 20, 1871.
Edward R. Ames.....	May 20, 1806	Illinois....	1830	1852	Died in Baltimore, April 25, 1879.
*Francis Burns.....	Dec. 5, 1809	Liberia....	1838	1858	Died in Baltimore, April 18, 1863.
Davis Wasgatt Clark....	Feb. 25, 1812	New York.	1843	1864	Died in Cincinnati, May 23, 1871.
Edward Thomason.....	Oct. 12, 1810	Ohio.....	1832	1864	Died in Wheeling, W. Va., Mar. 22, '70.
Calvin Kingsley.....	Sept. 8, 1812	Erie.....	1841	1864	Died in Beyroot, Syria, April 6, 1870.
*John W. Roberts.....	Sept. 8, 1812	Liberia....	1838	1866	Died in Africa, January 30, 1875.
William L. Harris.....	Nov. 4, 1817	Michigan..	1837	1872	Died in New York, Sept. 2, 1887.
Isaac W. Wiley.....	Mar. 29, 1825	Phila.....	1851	1872	Died in Foochow, China, Nov. 22, 1884.
Gilbert Haven.....	Sept. 19, 1821	N. Engl'd.	1851	1872	Died in Malden, Mass., Jan. 3, 1880.
Jesse T. Peck.....	April 4, 1811	Oneida.....	1832	1872	Died in Syracuse, N. Y., May 17, 1883.
Erastus O. Haven.....	Nov. 1, 1820	New York.	1848	1880	Died in Salem, Oreg., August 2, 1881.
John P. Newman.....	Sept. 1, 1826	Oneida.....	1848	1888	Died in Saratoga, N. Y., July 6, 1899.

\* Missionary Bishops.

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OUR FATHERS AND BROTHERS.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF DEATH.	AGE.
Lewis Hunt, . . . . .		Dec. 3, 1801, Kentucky, . . .	...
William Young, . . . . .	May 16, 1786, . . . . .	July 8, 1812, Ohio, . . . . .	26
Ralph Lotspeich, . . . . .	Feb. 15, 1781, Virginia, . . .	Dec. 15, 1813, Ohio, . . . . .	32
Walter Griffith, . . . . .	Aug. 12, 1782, Maryland, . . .	June 27, 1822, Xenia, O., . . .	40
Samuel Baker, . . . . .	Sept. 13, 1793, Maryland, . . .	Sept. 26, 1823, Middletown, O.,	30
Alexander Cummins, . . . . .	Sept. 31, 1787, Virginia, . . .	Sept. 27, 1823, Cincinnati, O.,	36
Nathan Walker, . . . . .	Oct. 20, 1795, Maryland, . . .	Aug. 26, 1825, Frankfort, Ky.,	30
John Walker, . . . . .	Feb. 28, 1797, Virginia, . . .	April 5, 1849, . . . . .	52
John Sale, . . . . .	April 4, 1769, Virginia, . . .	Jan. 15, 1827, Troy, O., . . .	58
Michael Ellis, . . . . .	May 5, 1758, . . . . .	Oct. 30, 1830, Rehoboth, O., . .	72.
John Ulin, . . . . .	1792, Virginia, . . . . .	July 13, 1833, N. Richmond, O	41
James F. Callaghan, . . . . .		Nov. 9, 1833, Marietta, O., . .	...
Thomas F. Sargent, . . . . .	April 10, 1776, Maryland, . . .	Dec. 29, 1833, Cincinnati, O., .	57
William Page, . . . . .	Sept. 1772, New Jersey, . . .	Nov. 15, 1834, Ohio, . . . . .	62
Philip Gatch, . . . . .	March 21, 1751, Maryland, . . .	Dec. 28, 1835, Ohio, . . . . .	83
Russel Bigelow, . . . . .	Feb. 24, 1793, New Hampshire,	July 1, 1835, Columbus, O., . .	43
William Phillips, . . . . .	May 7, 1797, Kentucky, . . . .	Aug. 6, 1836, Cincinnati, O., .	39
Erastus Felton, . . . . .	Jan. 28, 1798, New York, . . .	June 25, 1837, Ohio, . . . . .	39
John A. Waterman, . . . . .	June 29, 1790, New Hampshire,	Aug. 6, 1837, Oxford, O., . . .	47
James W. Finley, . . . . .	Dec. 24, 1800, Ohio, . . . . .	June 11, 1838, Kentucky, . . .	38
William D. Barrett, . . . . .	July 19, 1797, Virginia, . . . .	Feb. 22, 1839, Ohio, . . . . .	42
Dudley Woodbridge, . . . . .	1814, Ohio, . . . . .	Jan. 3, 1839, Marietta, O., . .	25
Frederick B. Butler, . . . . .	July 22, 1803, Virginia, . . . .	March 5, 1839, Ohio, . . . . .	36
Moses Crume, . . . . .	Feb. 27, 1766, Virginia, . . . .	April 1, 1839, Oxford, O., . . .	73
George Fate, . . . . .	Aug. 28, 1819, Ohio . . . . .	Aug. 28, 1839, Marion, O., . .	20

OUR FATHERS AND BROTHERS.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF DEATH.	AGE.
Charles R. Baldwin, .	March 17, 1803, Massachusetts	Nov. 9, 1839, Parkersburg, Va.,	36
Jeremiah Hill, . . .	Oct. 2, 1816, Rhode Island, . .	May 26, 1840, Ohio, . . . . .	24
Robert W. Finley, . .	June 9, 1750, Pennsylvania, . .	Dec. 8, 1840, Ohio, . . . . .	90
William B. Christie, .	Sept. 2, 1803, Ohio, . . . . .	March 27, 1842, Cincinnati, O.,	39
Isaac C. Hunter, . . .	Aug. 30, 1798, Pennsylvania, .	June 27, 1842, Gallipolis, O.,	44
Alfred Hance, . . . .	Jan. 8, 1810, New Jersey, . . .	Feb. 2, 1843, Ohio, . . . . .	33
John W. Kanaga, . . .	Feb., 1819, . . . . .	Feb. 14, 1844, Ohio, . . . . .	25
Greenbury R. Jones, .	April 7, 1784, Pennsylvania, . .	Sept. 20, 1844, Marietta, O., .	60
Henry S. Farnandis, .	Dec. 1, 1793, Virginia, . . . .	May 17, 1845, Rushville, O., .	52
John Collins, . . . . .	Nov. 1, 1769, New Jersey, . . .	Aug. 21, 1845, Kentucky, . . .	76
John Ferree, . . . . .	Nov. 22, 1792, Pennsylvania, . .	Oct. 4, 1845, Jackson, O., . . .	53
William R. Anderson, .	June 21, 1810, Ross Co., O., . .	Feb. 25, 1846, Ohio, . . . . .	36
Benjamin Cooper, . .	June 3, 1802, Perry Co., O., . .	May 13, 1846, Indiana, . . . .	44
Jacob Delay, . . . . .	Dec. 17, 1781, Pennsylvania, . .	Oct. 18, 1846, Jackson Co., O., .	65
William Parrish, . . .	Oct. 25, 1800, n'r Lexington, Ky	Oct. 17, 1847, Butler Co., O., .	47
James Quinn, . . . .	April 1, 1775, Pennsylvania, . .	Dec. 1, 1847, Ohio, . . . . .	72
Alexander Morrow, .	March 21, 1810, Pennsylvania, .	Feb. 13, 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	39
Benjamin Lakin, . . .	Aug. 23, 1767, Maryland, . . . .	Feb., 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	82
Nathan Emery, . . . .	Aug. 5, 1780, Maine, . . . . .	May 27, 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	69
Martin Wolf, . . . . .	Nov. 25, 1813, Pennsylvania, . .	July 10, 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	36
Alfred L. Westervelt, .	Jan. 22, 1821, Westerville, O., .	July 31, 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	29
Asa B. Stroud, . . . .	April 11, 1807, Ohio, . . . . .	Sept. 23, 1849, Ohio, . . . . .	42
Chas. B. Warrington, .	March 13, 1814, England, . . . .	Feb. 18, 1850, Ohio, . . . . .	36
Philip A. Mutchner, . .	Jan. 10, 1817, Ohio, . . . . .	Oct. 2, 1850, Ohio, . . . . .	33
Joseph T. Lewis, . . .	April 18, 1824, Ohio, . . . . .	Nov. 3, 1850, Cincinnati, O., .	26
O. P. Williams, . . . .	April 13, 1814, Ohio, . . . . .	1850, Ohio, . . . . .	36
James A. Taylor, . . .	1823, Ohio, . . . . .	Aug. 10, 1851, Ohio, . . . . .	28
Samuel Maddux, . . .	May 2, 1818, Ohio, . . . . .	Nov. 9, 1851, Logan, O., . . .	33
Ebenezer B. Chase, . .	April 3, 1806, Maine, . . . . .	Mch. 4, 1852, Kingston C't'y, O.	36

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Our Fathers and Brothers.	Entered Conference.....	Time of Death.	Age.....	Years of Ministry.....	Our Fathers and Brothers.	Entered Conference.....	Time of Death.	Age.....	Years of Ministry.....
Wm. H. Raper, . . . .	1819	Feb. 11, 1852	58	33	George B. Owens, . . .	1853	Nov. 23, 1863	54	10
Jos. S. Tomlinson, . .	1825	June 4, 1853	51	Telhr	A. P. Dunlap, . . . .	1854	Feb. 14, 1863	34	9
Chas. G. Meredith, . .	1846	July 16, 1854	34	8	A. M. Lorain, . . . .	1824	Apr. 25, 1863	72	39
Gilbert C. Townley, .	1848	Nov. 2, 1854	33	6	W. H. Fyffe, . . . .	1836	May 20, 1863	49	27
Thomas Gorsuch, . . .	1841	May 12, 1855	39	14	J. T. Mitchell, . . . .	1832	May 30, 1863	53	31
James M. Cavin, . . .	1850	May 19, 1855	39	5	L. Swormstedt, . . .	1818	Aug. 28, 1863	64	45
Philip Nation, . . . .	1833	Oct. 14, 1855	43	22	C. W. Sears, . . . . .	1844	Aug. 29, 1863	44	19
James Smith, . . . . .	1818	Apr. 7, 1856	65	38	Henry Baker, . . . .	1814	Dec. 24, 1863	66	49
George W. Walker, . .	1826	July 31, 1856	51	30	E. D. Roe, . . . . .	1832	..... 1864	63	31
B. Brown Miller, . . .	1849	Sep. 16, 1856	32	7	David Sharp, . . . .	1813	Apr. 21, 1865	77	52
James B. Finley, . . .	1809	Sep. 6, 1857	76	48	Enoch G. West, . . .	1848	May 8, 1865	39	17
Moses G. Bennett, . .	1847	Mar. 8, 1857	37	10	Wm. F. Spahr, . . . .	1863	Nov. 30, 1865	22	2
A. J. Dinkins, . . . .	1842	Jan. 10, 1857	44	15	David Whitecomb, . .	1826	May 17, 1866	..	40
Samuel Neer, . . . . .	1854	Aug. 15, 1857	39	3	Levi White, . . . . .	1822	Aug. 21, 1866	68	44
James B. Austin, . . .	1828	Sep. 27, 1857	51	29	M. Marlay, . . . . .	1831	Sep. 2, 1866	69	35
J. J. Tiffany, . . . .	1850	Dec. 29, 1857	31	7	David Reed, . . . . .	1832	Mar. 24, 1867	56	35
Arthur W. Elliott, . .	1818	Jan. 18, 1858	73	40	Wm. S. Hartley, . . .	1856	Feb. 7, 1869	35	13
John S. Jackson, . . .	1856	Mar. 29, 1858	24	2	Joseph M. Gatch, . .	1842	Feb. 13, 1869	47	27
W. S. Morrow, . . .	1830	June 19, 1858	53	28	Arza Brown, . . . .	1824	Aug. 1, 1869	77	45
Robert O. Spencer, . .	1824	Aug. 30, 1858	52	34	Moses Smith, . . . .	1842	Aug. 25, 1869	52	27
Horace S. Sellman, . .	1846	Feb. 1, 1859	38	13	Jesse Botkin, . . . .	1842	Feb. 25, 1870	62	28
Perlee W. Wilber, . .	Telhr	June 11, 1859	52	25	A. W. Musgrove, . . .	1852	Apr. 19, 1870	58	30
William Kaetter, . . .	1851	Sep. 12, 1859	46	8	Charles W. Swain, . .	1831	Apr. 25, 1870	76	39
Steph. H. Holland, . .	1831	Jan. 10, 1860	53	29	Eli Kirk, . . . . .	1857	Sep. 17, 1870	39	13
Jesse R. Hall, . . . .	1854	Aug. 30, 1860	26	6	Dan'l D. Davisson, .	1811	Dec. 14, 1870	85	59
Charles Kissenger, . .	1855	Sep. 28, 1860	30	5	John W. Fowble, . . .	1842	July 6, 1871	56	29
Isaac I. Beall, . . . .	1849	Oct. 27, 1860	37	11	John Shinn, . . . . .	1854	Sep. 26, 1871	47	17
Peter Schmucker, . .	1838	Dec. 9, 1860	76	46	Isaac Neff, . . . . .	1849	Oct. 29, 1871	47	22
George Danker, . . . .	1839	Mar. 4, 1861	67	22	John Seys, . . . . .	1825	Feb. 9, 1872	72	47
Daniel Griffis, . . . .	1853	Aug. 28, 1861	34	8	Levi P. Miller, . . . .	1830	July 28, 1872	63	42
Hen. E. Purkiser, . . .	1852	Dec. 4, 1861	34	9	Wesley Rector, . . .	1871	Sep. 26, 1872	35	8
Wesley Rowe, . . . .	1834	Feb. 8, 1862	52	28	George J. Conner, . .	1859	Apr. 1, 1873	44	14
Joseph Newson, . . .	1833	May 20, 1862	53	29	A. B. Wambaugh, . .	1838	Aug. 14, 1873	57	35
Charles R. Lovell, . .	1833	Sep. 25, 1862	45	29	Joshua Boucher, . . .	1818	Nov. 22, 1873	76	55
George W. Harris, . .	1850	Nov. 5, 1862	38	12	H. M. Curry, . . . .	1848	Mar. 3, 1874	55	26

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James Armstrong, . .	1827	July 1, 1874	70	47	Jer'h B. Ellsworth	1838	Apr. 30, 1889	79	51
W. Simmons, . .	1820	Aug. 6, 1874	76	54	Allen W. Tibbits, .	1846	May 8, 1889	67	43
N. C. Parrish, . .	1865	Feb. 15, 1875	40	10	Chas. W. Ketcham	1854	May 13, 1889	59	35
W. Routledge, . .	1843	Apr. 28, 1875	68	32	Ephraim M. Cole, .	1850	June 29, 1889	68	39
M. G. Purkiser, . .	1835	Apr. 29, 1875	61	40	William Mahou, .	1859	July 1, 1889	53	21
E. House, . .	1865	May 20, 1875	50	10	Jer'h H. Bayliss, .	1859	Aug. 14, 1889	54	30
J. C. Bontecou, . .	1827	Oct. 14, 1875	72	48	Geo. H. Kennedy, .	1853	Sep. 19, 1889	65	36
N. Callender, . .	1825	Feb. 6, 1876	75	51	Sam'l A. Brewster, .	1854	May 25, 1890	64	36
P. A. Ogden, . .	1825	Aug. 23, 1876	77	51	Thomas Lee, . .	1851	Mar. 10, 1891	64	40
Samuel Brown, . .	1841	Sep. 23, 1876	70	35	J. W. Keely, . .	1845	Dec. 23, 1891	75	48
T. A. G. Phillips, .	1833	Feb. 28, 1877	67	44	J. F. Courrey, . .	1839	Jan. 26, 1892	74	52
Wm. H. Lawder, . .	1833	Apr. 20, 1877	68	44	L. F. Van Cleve, .	1850	Mar. 2, 1892	66	44
Wm. I. Ellsworth, .	1834	May 10, 1877	70	43	G. W. Kelley, . .	1855	May 5, 1892	72	37
Elijah H. Field, . .	1824	Oct. 1, 1878	82	54	W. E. Hines, . .	1856	June 22, 1892	69	37
Alex. Meharry, . .	1841	Nov. 18, 1878	65	37	W. N. Williams, . .	1855	Oct. 8, 1892	77	37
Jos. A. Reeder, . .	1829	Nov. 24, 1878	81	49	J. P. Bishop, . .	1880	Nov. 20, 1892	43	12
John C. Deem, . .	1854	Jan. 21, 1879	77	25	A. U. Beall, . .	1852	May 19, 1894	67	42
J. McD. Mathews, .	1831	Aug. 5, 1879	75	48	D. H. Sargent, . .	1846	Aug. 15, 1894	77	48
John F. Wright, . .	1815	Sep. 13, 1879	84	64	T. S. Cowden, . .	1848	Jan. 17, 1895	68	47
Wm. H. Miesse, . .	1870	July 26, 1880	34	10	Henry Stokes, . .	1852	Jan. 23, 1895	67	43
John Barton, . .	1839	Jan. 16, 1882	64	43	Benj. Glascock, .	1849	May 30, 1895	72	46
Herman Lüders, . .	1878	Jan. 17, 1882	39	4	W. B. Jackson, . .	1847	May 16, 1895	86	48
David Warnock, . .	1834	Feb. 21, 1882	72	48	W. R. Webster, . .	1842	Sep. 25, 1895	81	53
James Kendall, . .	1851	Mar. 2, 1882	59	31	I. C. Page, . .	1888	Jan. 5, 1896	32	7
George C. Crum, . .	1831	Mar. 4, 1882	73	51	Jas. Murray, . .	1865	Mar. 6, 1896	38	30
John W. Weakley, .	1837	Apr. 30, 1882	69	45	Mighill Dustin, .	1836	Mar. 10, 1896	86	60
Charles Kalbfus, . .	1826	May 10, 1882	75	56	Simon McChesney	1858	June 20, 1896	57	38
Jas. F. McClelland, .	1864	Jan. 19, 1883	...	19	W. L. Hypes, . .	1849	July 26, 1896	68	46
Willis M. Boyer, . .	1872	Jan. 14, 1884	48	11	E. C. Smith, . .	1870	Aug. 22, 1896	71	26
Nimrod McDonald	1856	Jan. 15, 1884	68	27	Henry Miller, . .	1870	Oct. 25, 1896	50	26
David Kemper, . .	1836	Mar. 24, 1884	77	47	W. J. Quarry, . .	1846	Feb. 9, 1897	80	51
Charles Ferguson, .	1844	June 4, 1884	67	39	Wm. Herr, . .	1830	Mar. 28, 1897	91	67
Milton G. Baker, . .	1843	Sep. 26, 1884	69	41	J. L. Grover, . .	1837	May 5, 1897	91	60
James F. Chalfaut, .	1843	Oct. 5, 1884	64	41	L. D. McCabe, . .	1843	June 18, 1897	80	54
Jesse M. Robinson	1851	Oct. 11, 1884	58	33	Geo. T. Perry, . .	1890	Jan. 20, 1898	32	8
Andrew Murphy, . .	1837	Feb. 4, 1885	88	48	Silas Bennett, . .	1850	Mar. 10, 1898	72	36
John N. Irvin, . .	1872	Mar. 6, 1885	37	12	N. W. Darlington, .	1858	Mar. 18, 1898	72	27
Joseph J. Hill, . .	1830	Nov. 11, 1885	80	55	Timothy Wones, .	1848	July 28, 1898	82	8
John C. Maddy, . .	1852	Dec. 12, 1885	63	33	Asbury Lowrey, . .	1840	Aug. 5, 1898	82	48
Dennis Callahan, .	1855	May 6, 1886	67	38	Jas. Stephenson, .	1866	Sept. 4, 1898	64	37
J. W. Stone, . .	1838	Oct. 14, 1886	74	49	F. W. Hypes, . .	1857	Nov. 25, 1898	67	41
Granville Moody, .	1835	June 4, 1887	75	52	Patrick Carland, .	1855	Nov. 25, 1898	70	43
David Whitmer, . .	1846	June 23, 1887	65	41	M. Kauffman, . .	1847	Dec. 3, 1898	86	51
Richard Brandriff, .	1823	July 16, 1887	84	64	Wm. Q. Shannon, .	1851	Dec. 16, 1898	74	47
Wm. Young, . .	1832	Aug. 26, 1887	80	55	John W. Cassatt, .	1850	Feb. 4, 1899	71	49
J. S. Peregrine, . .	1851	Feb. 24, 1888	69	37	Chas. H. Payne, .	1857	May 5, 1899	68	42
S. F. Courrey, . .	1837	July 4, 1888	73	51	Sam'l D. Clayton,	1847	June 6, 1899	76	52
M. P. Gaddis, . .	1838	Sep. 8, 1888	77	50					

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REV. MICHAEL KAUFFMAN was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1812, and died December 3, 1898. He was the eldest of fourteen children, twelve of whom lived to mature life, and four of whom survive. He came with his parents, in 1831, to Springfield, Ohio. His father died in 1872, aged eighty-three years, and his mother died in 1888 at the age of ninety-four. In his youth he was a pronounced skeptic, arguing with his might against the claims of Christianity, and thought himself honest in the positions taken; but in 1843, at a camp-meeting held near Harmony, Ohio, in the east part of Clark County, he became deeply convinced of his errors, and after earnest pleading with God, was powerfully converted, and became at once a most earnest defender of the faith and one of the most gentle, charitable, and amiable of men. His character matured and ripened in all noble qualities. For several years he taught school; in the winter of 1845 his school was in a building on the spot now occupied by the residence of Governor Bushnell.

Brother Kauffman was licensed to preach and recommended to the traveling connection by the Columbia Street Church, Springfield, in 1847, and began to travel under the presiding elder, Rev. J. L. Grover, on Marysville Circuit, in the Ohio Conference, December 5, 1847.

The following year he was received on trial in the Conference, at Newark, Ohio, and was reappointed to Marysville Circuit. In 1849 he was appointed to Morris Chapel and Park Street, Cincinnati, and at the close of the year ordained deacon, at Chillicothe, by Bishop Janes. He was then appointed to Lockland Circuit, which he traveled two years, during which time he was married to Miss Sarah B. Leary, whose charm of face and sweetness of spirit made for him a most happy life in their labor of thirty-five years together. Their two children survive, Miss Kate Kauffman, and Mr. Frank Kauffman, of Chicago. After concluding his work on Lockland Circuit, he was ordained elder at the Xenia Conference, in 1852, by Bishop Simpson.

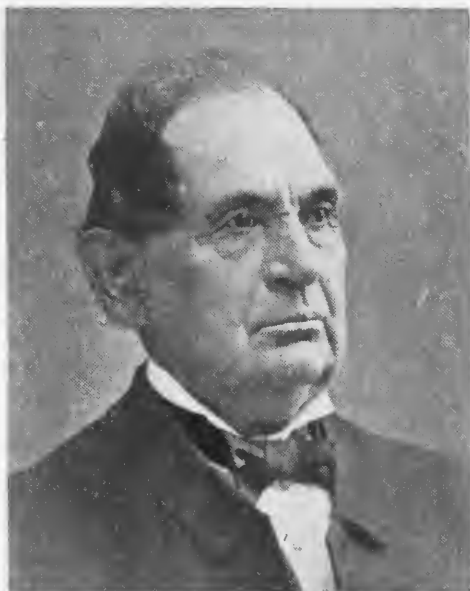
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In making his own record of his work, he sums it up thus: "I have traveled in the itinerancy thirty-seven years and ten months; thirteen years and ten months on circuits; twenty years in stations; four years on a district. Glory be to the Lord; Michael Kauffman, saved by grace!" But no diary, however faithfully kept, can record the work of such a life. No Church record of the thirty-seven years' itinerancy holds a record of his work.

He was blessed with remarkable physical vigor, reaching almost eighty-three years without any sign of weakening faculties, reading the current news of the world with unabated interest, ready for a discussion of the new ideas of theology or ecclesiastical matters, and thoroughly alive to all that could make men better or the world brighter. He took great delight in things beautiful, whether found in nature or art, and showed a keen interest in all practical affairs of every-day life.

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REV. MICHAEL KAUFFMAN was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1812, and died December 3, 1898. He was the eldest of fourteen children, twelve of whom lived to mature life, and four of whom survive. He came with his parents, in 1831, to Springfield, Ohio. His father died in 1872, aged eighty-three years, and his mother died in 1888 at the age of ninety-four. In his youth he was a pronounced skeptic arguing with his might against the claims of Christianity, and thought himself honest in the positions taken; but in 1843, at a camp-meeting held near Harmony, Ohio, in the east part of Clark County, he became deeply convinced of his errors, and after earnest pleading with God, was powerfully converted, and became at once a most earnest defender of the faith and one of the most gentle, charitable, and amiable of men. His character matured and ripened in all noble qualities. For several years he taught school; in the winter of 1845 his school was in a building on the spot now occupied by the residence of Governor Bushnell.

Brother Kauffman was licensed to preach and recommended to the traveling connection by the Columbia Street Church, Springfield, in 1847, and began to travel under the presiding elder, Rev. J. L. Grover, on Marysville Circuit, in the Ohio Conference, December 5, 1847.

The following year he was received on trial in the Conference, at Newark, Ohio, and was reappointed to Marysville Circuit. In 1849 he was appointed to Morris Chapel and Park Street, Cincinnati, and at the close of the year ordained deacon, at Chillicothe, by Bishop James. He was then appointed to Lockland Circuit, which he traveled two years, during which time he was married to Miss Sarah B. Leary, whose charm of face and sweetness of spirit made for him a most happy life in their labor of thirty-five years together. Their two children survive, Miss Kate Kauffman, and Mr. Frank Kauffman, of Chicago. After concluding his work on Lockland Circuit, he was ordained elder at the Xenia Conference, in 1852, by Bishop Simpson.

The following is the record of his pastoral labors: 1847-48, Marysville Circuit, under the elder; 1848-49, Marysville Circuit, on trial; 1849, one year at Morris Chapel; 1850-52, Lockland Circuit; 1852-54, Venice; 1854-56, North Bend; 1856-58, Middleton Station; 1858-59, Eaton Station; 1859-63, presiding elder of Hillsboro District; 1863-65, Greenfield Station; 1865-68, Middletown, second pastorate; 1868-71, South Charleston; 1871, Jamestown; 1872-75, Mount Washington; 1875-77, Mechanicsburg; 1877-79, New Carlisle; 1879-80, Tippecanoe City; 1880-82, Lewisburg; 1882-85, Troy Circuit, his last charge.

It was in 1850 that he received into the Church a young man whom he thus describes in his journal: "One of the converts at Black Bottom is Mr. Walden, a teacher, who was reported to us, when we commenced the meeting, as an infidel. He is now happy in the Lord, bids fair to be a pillar in the Church, and is indeed a trophy of the Cross. Glory be to God!" It is scarcely necessary to say that this refers to Bishop John M. Walden.

In making his own record of his work, he sums it up thus: "I have traveled in the itinerancy thirty-seven years and ten months; thirteen years and ten months on circuits; twenty years in stations; four years on a district. Glory be to the Lord: Michael Kauffman, saved by grace!" But no diary, however faithfully kept, can record the work of such a life. No Church record of the thirty-seven years' itinerancy holds a record of his work.

He was blessed with remarkable physical vigor, reaching almost eighty-three years without any sign of weakening faculties, reading the current news of the world with unabated interest, ready for a discussion of the new ideas of theology or ecclesiastical matters, and thoroughly alive to all that could make men better or the world brighter. He took great delight in things beautiful, whether found in nature or art, and showed a keen interest in all practical affairs of every-day life.

His religious life was noted for earnest simplicity. He sought and found the blessing of perfect love, and was a most beautiful example of the power of grace to sweeten the life in the years when active duties must be resigned to younger hands. His brethren in the Conference greatly respected his judgment in all matters pertaining to administration; and in



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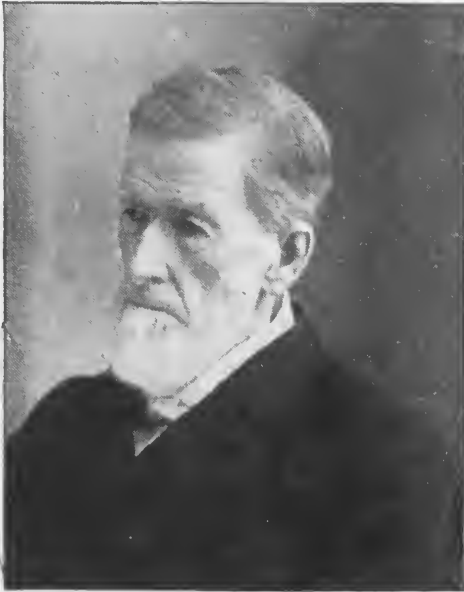
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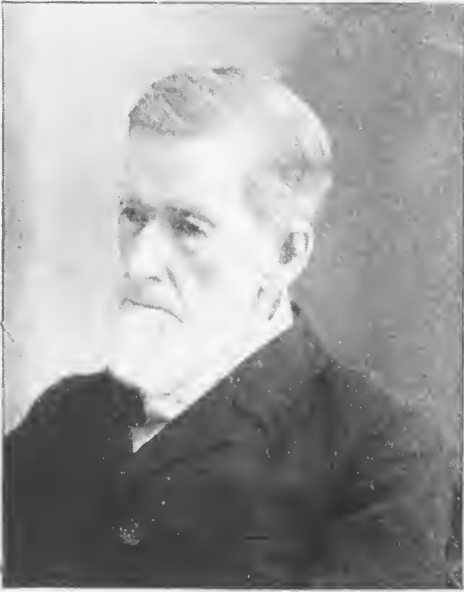
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While in Augusta College, in June, 1839, he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church on probation; but he was not clearly and consciously converted until some time in January, 1842, during a powerful revival under the ministry of Rev. Werter R. Davis. After the removal of the family to Dayton he engaged in teaching, first at Johnsville, a few miles west of Dayton, and afterward in the neighborhood of Lewisburg. While thus employed he was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Lewisburg Circuit, Rev. D. D. Davisson and Rev. David Whitmer being the preachers in charge of that work. On the recommendation of that same Quarterly Conference he was admitted into the Ohio Conference, at its session in Columbus, in September, 1847. Bishop Janes presiding. His appointments have been: Camden, Fairfield, King's Creek; City Mission, Cincinnati; Agent Ohio Wesleyan University; Maysville, Ky.; Covington, Ky.; The Bethel, Cincinnati; South Charleston, Yellow Springs, Eaton; Park Street, Cincinnati; Wilmington, Greenfield, Hillsboro District; First Church, Urbana; Lebanon, Madisonville; Broadway, Dayton; and Ripley. From 1889 to 1895 he was in the supernumerary relation, and was then made effective and appointed a Conference evangelist, in which relation he continued until his death.

This ministry, covering a period of more than fifty years, has been "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." Great revivals have almost uniformly attended our brother's labors, and in not a few cases the results have been pentecostal and phenomenal. Note two instances: The Greenfield pastorate was a continuous and remarkable revival. Not only the town, but the surrounding country, was stirred as never before, and not less than five hundred souls were happily converted. That wonderful pastorate gave an impetus to our cause in that community which has finally made the Greenfield Church one of the strongest in Ohio Methodism. It was, however, given to our brother to achieve, if possible, a still greater victory for the Master in Dayton, as pastor of Broadway Church. He was appointed to that work when it was known as Davisson Chapel, a little West End mission, with a small but earnest band of workers, who were struggling to hold their own against many discouragements. Almost with the advent of this evangelist-pastor the work began, and increased from week to week, until that part of the city was shaken by the dynamic power of the Holy Ghost, and such a revival followed as Dayton probably never witnessed before or since. The conversions were not only numbered by hundreds, but many of them seemed like miracles of Divine power and grace. As one result of that great outpouring of the Spirit, the present handsome edifice of the Broadway Church was erected, and the charge became, at once, one of our most prosperous and spiritual Churches.

That notable and noble Cincinnati institution, the Union Bethel, with its great Sabbath-school outnumbering any similar organization in this country, if not in the world, was founded by Brother Clayton nearly fifty years ago, with the hearty co-operation of some of the leading business men of that city. Our brother was, at the time, serving a small Bethel congregation which had grown out of the work of what was then known as "The Seamen's Friend Society." The Union Bethel, as it now exists, is the evolution of a beginning very small and feeble indeed; but it ranks to-day among the mightiest educational and religious forces of the Queen City of the West. For this great work, in its incipency and development, perhaps no man could have been found in the land with higher qualifications. His love for children, his rare tact in winning and holding their attention, and his perennial glow of good humor, combined with a genius for the organization of religious work, made him the man for the hour, and while the great Union Bethel of Cincinnati stands, Samuel D. Clayton will not be without a monument.

When it is added that he, with others, some years later, founded the Children's Home, one of the noblest charities of Cincinnati, it will be seen with what wisdom and skill he planned and builded for the future—for it may be questioned if there exists in this land to-day two more useful institutions than these with which our friend's name must be forever associated.

During the two years in which he served as financial agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University he did much toward the endowment of that noble institution. For two years, also, he acted as agent for Christ's Hospital, Cincinnati, pleading with great earnestness and eloquence for that noble charity, and collecting large sums of money for the prosecution of its Christ-like work.

For the work of an evangelist, to which his last years were largely given, he possessed peculiar qualifications—a passion for souls, a burning zeal, an inexhaustible fund of illustrations drawn out of his own experience, and a great gift for exhortation. In many of the leading Churches of our cities, as well as in the humbler country Churches, he will long be held in grateful remembrance for his successful leadership in the campaign against sin. Few, if any, of his ministerial brethren have been more successful fishers of men.

He was happily married, in 1857, to Miss Anna E. Brown, of Franklin, Ohio. Four children were born to them—E. P. Clayton, now of Washington City; Dr. Dillon Clayton, of Cincinnati; Miss Anna and Miss Margold. They were all present in loving and constant ministry when the end came, and so great was his joy to know that they were all saved, all honored and useful members of society, that the words of the psalmist, "My cup runneth over," must have been the language of his heart. Taking his two sons by the hand, one on his right, and the other on his left, he said one day, quoting from the building of the temple (1 Kings vii, 21): "And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof Boaz."

A short time before his departure from us, a daughter, watching at his side during the night, called his attention to the unusual brilliancy of the moonlight. "Yes," he said, "one of these days I'll spread my wings, and sail on and on, past sun and moon and stars, into my eternal home." This hope reached fulfillment on June 6, 1899. He was buried in Woodland Cemetery, Dayton.

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WILLIAM BURNETT MOLER, son of Sylvanus and Hannah T. Moler, was born at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, September 26, 1832, and died at Clifton Springs, N. Y., May 31, 1899. He was educated in the Springfield High School and the Ohio Conference Academy, conducted by the late Dr. Solomon Howard, and in the Ohio Wesleyan University, though, on account of his earnest desire to enter upon his great life-work, he did not remain in the latter institution long enough to complete the course.

He was admitted on trial into the Cincinnati Conference in 1856, and appointed to Addison Circuit. The following year he was sent to Vienna, and during his pastorate here was happily married to Miss Mary A. Sharp, daughter of the late Rev. David Sharp, of the Cincinnati Conference. They were sent to Fletcher Circuit, where, in June, the young wife died, leaving a babe of two weeks to the care of the stricken father. The little wayfarer did not tarry long, but in the following September followed the mother up the shining way. Mr. Moler's next appointment was to Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, where his pastorate of two years was eminently successful. From this charge he was appointed to Waynesville, but before

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1882, so that they were permitted to enjoy together nearly ten years of well-earned rest, without care or responsibility. After her husband's death, she remained in her old home until her own death, where, for more than sixteen years, she walked in widowhood, but ever and always an example of the highest type of cheerful Christian womanhood, and the venerated of a filial affection which had been inspired by her own sweet, self-sacrificing spirit. No mother was ever more tender and considerate of her children, and she, in turn, received the full measure of their affection and their willing obedience. She was the happy mother of an ideal home life, because it was founded upon the law of love.

She was converted and joined the Methodist Church when a little girl, twelve years old, and for seventy-two years was a faithful follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. She was the mother of nine children, eight of whom survive her. But notwithstanding the care and toil and responsibility of this large family and the duties devolving upon her as a minister's wife, she was always the patient, loving, considerate mother, at once the joy, the comfort, and the stay of the home. She was not only patient, but she was uniformly cheerful. The burdens were never so heavy, the duties were never so onerous, and the cares were never so perplexing as to cause her to grow discouraged or melancholy or give up the task, but, with cheerful voice and word, the burdens were borne, the duties discharged, and the cares removed. Blessed with remarkably good health and strength until within the last two or three years, she came down to a ripe old age, a constant source of blessing and a benediction to all about her. With such a life it is no wonder that she was prepared for the final change and for the dreadful sufferings of the last few months. While racked with pain, she was never heard to murmur or complain, but it was always, "Thy will be done."

At times, before sickness had weakened her power of speech, she would repeat the hymns which she had learned when a little girl and had been singing for three-quarters of a century. She would then repeat the promises, quoting passage after passage of Scripture with a fluency which surprised every one. At one time she exclaimed: "O, the glory that is waiting me! What a shout will go up when I get over!" And then she enumerated the ones who had gone before, and spoke of her husband and her baby boy, who had died more than forty-five years ago, and of her father and mother and brothers and sisters, and she waved her hands and shouted aloud the praises of her God. The words of holy triumph and of exultation, of faith and hope and joy and expectation, which came from her sick bed, would fill a volume and constitute another illustration of those memorable words of John Wesley, "Our people die well."

#### MRS. C. W. KETCHAM.

MARY PARKISON KETCHAM was born in Milford Center, Union County, Ohio, November 21, 1829, and died in New York City, January 31, 1899. She was a member of the first class that graduated from the Female College at Delaware, Ohio, before it came under Conference control. She taught for a time in a private school. September 5, 1854, she was married to Rev. C. W. Ketcham, who, a few weeks later, was admitted to the North Ohio Conference. The next year, when this Conference was divided, they were assigned to work in the Central Ohio Conference, and in 1866 they were transferred to the Cincinnati Conference, where Dr. Ketcham was stationed at old Morris Chapel. During his pastorate there, St. Paul Church was built. Their home was in Cincinnati for some years during the pastorate at Asbury Chapel and Christie Chapel, and two terms as presiding elder. In May, 1889, her husband was called from labor to reward. Since that time she has walked the path of widowhood, but her sorrows were greatly mitigated by the thoughtful care and devotion of her

children. They lovingly soothed her pathway until the sunset came. She was stricken with pneumonia, but her mind was clear and unclouded until the end. Realizing that the end of life was near at hand, she thoughtfully and carefully arranged everything. The minuteness with which she gave direction concerning her affairs was a wonder to all. In her religious experience and life she was not demonstrative, but given to quietness. You seldom saw more than a ripple on the surface of life's sea over which she sailed, and, perhaps, never a tidal wave; but there was a steady onward flow toward the heavenly state, and when the end came there was not a doubt nor a fear, but perfect peace. The chamber where this good woman met her fate was "quite on the verge of heaven." At her request, the sacrament was administered on Saturday preceding her death. She joined audibly in the general confession, and entered fully into the spirit of the blessed service. A few hours before she passed away, after lying quietly for a time, she slowly raised her arms as if to welcome some one, and with her right hand gently beckoned as if calling to some one. She then said, "They are singing." One said, "No, nobody is singing." She replied: "Yes; I hear music. Do n't you hear it?" When asked with respect to her feelings regarding death, she said, if she could retain her faculties, and be a comfort and a blessing to her friends, she would like to recover; but if not, she would rather depart, and be with God and with those who had gone before. Such was the spirit of resignation and faith that marked her closing hours. She passed away without a sigh or moan or the slightest struggle. Calmly and sweetly she fell asleep in Jesus. She was well endowed by nature and cultivated by education, experience, and observation. These gifts and acquirements, along with an excellent judgment, made her a valuable counselor to her husband in his work and an invaluable guide to her children in their childhood and youth. Life was no idle dream to her, but a great, ever-present reality. Her work is done. Mother's busy hands and loving heart are still. The quiet voice and footfall will be heard no more on earth, but another pure spirit has joined the innumerable company of the blood-washed in the paradise of God. It was a great privilege that she was permitted to sojourn with her family until all the children were grown, education completed, and settled in life's callings. I indulge no mere fancy when I say, as she saw the end of her life-work, and looked back over what she had assisted in accomplishing, and saw her two noble sons—Merrick E. and Heber D., members of the Cincinnati Conference—doing yeoman work in the ministry of the Lord Jesus; her elder daughter, Lulah, the honored wife of Rev. W. F. Anderson, of the New York Conference; her youngest son, Charles L., a skillful and trusted physician; and her younger daughter, Mary, an artist, promising a successful career in her chosen profession—her heart must have overflowed with gratitude to God; and if her mother's heart did swell with a mother's pride, who would say that she might not justly indulge it? She lived and sacrificed for her children. If she was a keeper at home, she need not fear to meet her final account in the last day, for surely the Judge will say to her, "Well done, good and faithful servant." To the loyal mother heart it was ample reward for all her years of painstaking and self-denying love in their behalf, that she saw her three sons and two daughters living to bless the world and society, as well as to be an honor to her. She lives again in their lives. Under the tuition of the sorrows of widowhood, her spirit unfolded in richer graces, and reflected more than ever the divine life. She has entered into rest.

WILLIAM RUNYAN.

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#### MRS. W. B. JACKSON.

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ELIZABETH JAMIESON was born in Batavia, Ohio, August 19, 1827. Her parents, John and Catharine Jamieson, were pioneers in the settlement of Southern Ohio. When quite young she united with the Methodist Episco-

pal Church in Batavia. In 1854 she married Rev. W. B. Jackson, a member of the Cincinnati Conference. For twenty-four years "they shared all troubles, and by sharing halved them. They shared all pleasures, and by sharing doubled them." After her husband's death, in 1895, she lived alone in Urbana. She was generous to the benevolences of the Church, both local and general. As a business investment for herself and a memorial to her husband the Freedmen's Aid Society received \$1,400 from her estate. Her attendance at Divine service was a source of great comfort and joy to her. Her voluntary life of isolation led her to dwell upon the virtues of the one to whom she gave her young life and with whom she walked the "long path." Heaven to her was the place where her husband had gone, and where her Savior lived. She never tired reciting the spiritual victories he won in revival campaigns. It may be in the great beyond, He who judges motives and reads desires will accord her reward for prayers and service offered in obscurity. She died suddenly February 15, 1899, in the seventy-second year of her age. We are enjoying to-day the fruits of the pastoral labor of William B. Jackson and wife.




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#### MRS. ENOCH G. WEST.

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ANGELINE RICE was born in Williamsport, Maryland, August 25, 1823, and died at her home in Urbana on Sabbath morning February 19, 1899. Her father, a Wesleyan Methodist from the North of Ireland, faithfully indoctrinated his children in the Holy Scriptures, and Angeline in very early life became a devout Christian. After the marriage of her sister, Catherine, to Rev. John T. Mitchell, then a rising member of the Rock River Conference, she made her home in their family and rapidly developed into a most efficient helper to the pastor. With a finely-cultured mind, a pleasing, winsome manner, and a whole-hearted consecration to the work, she was admirably fitted for the more conspicuous service for which Providence was preparing her. In 1844, Dr. Mitchell having been elected an Agent of the Western Methodist Book Concern, the family moved to Cincinnati, where, on the 19th of September, 1852, she was happily married to the Rev. Enoch G. West, of the Cincinnati Conference. Mr. West was an able preacher, a fine singer, and a most faithful pastor. A convert of his early ministry said, "He made one fall in love with Jesus." But his useful career in the ministry was cut short by failing health, compelling his retirement from active work in 1862. The family settled in Urbana, where, in 1865, the beloved husband and father entered into rest. During the comparatively few years of Mr. West's active ministry he found a rare helper in his gifted and noble wife. Her gentle and loving spirit won all hearts; her sweet and cultured manners made her a welcome guest in all homes; her deep religious experience enabled her, in a quiet, unobtrusive way, to do the work of an evangelist. In prayer and in testimony her utterances were in demonstration of the Spirit and in power. In the memorable Woman's Temperance Crusade she was a leader of commanding influence; in the various Woman's Missionary Societies of her Church she was recognized as one of the foremost workers, and when at last failing health compelled a surcease of active work, she continued to do what she could for the cause that was dearer to her heart than life itself. Her place, as one has said, was in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, among the worthies who obtained a good report through faith. For almost thirty-seven years she lived in Urbana, and was known and loved by old and young, by rich and poor, as "Auntie West." No love-feast was complete without her testimony, no prayer-meeting was ready for the benediction until she had been heard. It is no exaggeration to say that a purer, more saintly woman never lived. No one could doubt her deep experience of the sanctifying blood of Jesus, and she testified so sweetly and persuasively of the joys of the higher life

that multitudes through her influence were led into the same blessed experience. Of six children born to Mr. and Mrs. West, four only survive—two sons, Charles and George, on the Pacific coast, and Mrs. S. B. Grove and Mrs. C. T. Jamieson, both of Urbana. Mrs. West's last illness was of brief duration and comparatively painless. The funeral services at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Jamieson, were very largely attended by all classes of citizens, and the services were of a character to make the occasion more like a coronation than a funeral.

J. F. MARLAY.

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### MRS. J. McK. SHULTZ.

MRS. MATTIE PERKINS SHULTZ was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, April 20, 1842, and departed this life at Springboro, Ohio, March 2, 1899, aged fifty-six years. When but three years old she was deprived by death of a mother's tender care. In her early childhood she, with her father, moved to Hillsboro, Ohio, where she spent her happy girlhood days and formed her earliest and strongest friendships. She was educated at the Hillsboro Female College, from which she graduated in classical course June 14, 1860, under the presidency of Rev. J. McD. Mathews, D. D. When about twenty years of age she suffered a great bereavement in the loss of her father. For a few years she was successfully engaged in educational work, for which she possessed rare qualifications. On the 21st of September, 1865, she was happily married to Rev. J. McKendree Shultz, of the Cincinnati Conference, and at once took up cheerfully and heroically the delicate and difficult work of an itinerant minister's wife, proving in every way her fitness to be a helpmate to her husband. For more than thirty-three years she shared with him the joys and sorrows of life, and nobly did her part in their various fields of labor. Of a sweet and gentle spirit, she never failed to win the love of the people among whom her lot was cast. In the memorable Woman's Crusade against the saloon she took an active part, and was an efficient worker in that greatest temperance movement of the age. Her interest in the Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Societies was deep and practical, and was shown by hearty co-operation in their splendid work of evangelization. As a wife and mother she was tender, faithful, affectionate and self-forgetful. Of the six children born to her, three died in early childhood; three live, who "arise up and call her blessed." She united with the Methodist Episcopal Church when but eleven years of age, under the ministry of Rev. William I. Fee, but it was while a student in the college that she received the clear witness of the Spirit to her adoption, an experience which she enjoyed with increasing assurance to the end of life. During her last sickness, and when she felt that the end was near, she said to her husband, calmly and sweetly: "The time of our parting seems near. I know it will be hard for you to bear, but it must come some time, one way or the other. The future to myself does not worry me. For your sake and the girls', I would rather live. But the Savior who has stood by me all these years does not forsake me now. I have a mansion in the better world."

J. F. MARLAY.

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### MRS. SILAS BENNETT.

KATHARINE KEZIAH CLARKE, daughter of John and Maria Clarke, was born October 10, 1830, near Mason, Ohio. She died at the home of her daughter in Bellefontaine, Ohio, March 9, 1899, at the age of sixty-eight years. She was married to the Rev. Silas Bennett, June 18, 1851. With him she shared the labors, the sorrows, the joys of the Methodist itinerancy for above thirty years. Their married life was very beautiful. It had seemed for years that she would be the first to break the earthly

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union by death. But it was not so. Just one year to the day before her death he was called to go higher. Great was the stroke to her, and we can hardly wonder that her stay was short after his departure. Her face and form easily impressed one with her native strength of mind and purpose. Her closing days were days of triumph. She was glad to join in prayer with those who knelt at her bedside. As she approached the brink of this life her thought and her vision traversed the land beyond. She thought she saw loved ones long departed. She called to them, mentioned them to others, and asked concerning them. At last the final morning came; daylight swept up the skies and across the land; at half time till noon she slept; out of the waxing day of earth's forenoon she stepped inside the city, where high noon abides forever.

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MRS. W. N. WILLIAMS.

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MARGARET A. CODDINGTON was born in Hopkinsville, Ohio, February 22, 1818. November 2, 1843, she was united in marriage to W. N. Williams. Later, viz., in 1853, Mr. Williams became a member of the Cincinnati Conference. Brother Williams died in 1892 after a happy married life of almost fifty years. The subject of this sketch was converted at the age of fifteen, and for sixty-six years maintained an abiding faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. For thirty-nine years she shared with her husband the burdens and responsibilities as well as the joys and triumphs of itinerant ministerial life. Sister Williams always manifested a deep interest in the prosperity of the Churches which her husband, in the providence of God and the order of the Church, was called to serve. After superannuation, Brother and Sister Williams settled in Dayton, and were identified with the Broadway Church. As long as strength and health would permit, Mrs. Williams was actively engaged in various forms of Church work. She was an active member of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies; also the Ladies' Aid Society of the Broadway Church. The deceased took a deep interest in the welfare of the young. On the occasion of her death many spoke of her helpfulness to them in their Christian lives. Sister Williams's last sickness was prolonged, but the grace of God was abundantly sufficient, so she kept in perfect peace and died in holy triumph. She died May 23, 1899, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. G. Wood, of Walnut Hills, Cincinnati. The funeral services were held in the chapel of Woodland Cemetery of Dayton, and were participated in by Revs. F. M. Clemans, V. F. Brown, and Creighton Wones. A son, Mr. Charles Williams, and a daughter, Mrs. Wood, survive their mother.

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MRS. W. T. McMULLEN.

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NANCY TRENCHER BISHOP, daughter of Preston and Annie Bishop, was born in Fairfield County, New Jersey, March 21, 1816, and departed this life at her home in Owensville, Ohio, August 6, 1899, at the advanced age of eighty-four years. She moved with her parents from New Jersey to Indiana when a small child, and from thence to Cincinnati. She was blessed with pious parents, hence the foundation of her Christian character was laid in early youth. She gave her heart to the Lord and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in her young womanhood, and lived a devoted Christian life from that day until death summoned her to her home in heaven. She became the wife of Rev. W. T. McMullen on the 3d day of June, 1841, which bond of union continued for a little over fifty-eight years. Sister McMullen was for more than thirty years an invalid. Her suffering was often intense, but her life was one of victory, her death one of triumph.

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## MRS. MADISON SWADENER.

MRS. HESTER SWADENER, wife of Rev. Madison Swadener, was born at Logansport, Indiana, in 1852, and died at Cincinnati in 1899. It were easy to say many laudatory words of one whose life was "so pure in its purpose and strong in its strife," but more fitting that the record should be as the life—modest, sober, and unassuming. It is a beautiful thing to live a life so true and sincere that it needs neither apology nor praise. Such a life was Mrs. Swadener's. When a child she turned her face to the light, and was changed into the same image. The impress of the Christ was on her. None ever questioned the genuineness of her Christian life and faith. Even those who knew her casually, felt the sanctifying influence of her pure life. It needed no careful and subtle analysis of her character to discover its worth. She was a good woman, in whom faith had had its perfect work. The controlling motives of her life and the dominant traits of her character were such as are recognized by all as belonging to the very crown of inward nobility. For twenty-five years she filled the trying position of a minister's wife with rare devotion and ability. She was faithful in every relation. The people with and for whom she worked will not quickly forget her words and labor of love. She was with us at Price Hill from March to June. We loved her. We thought we needed her, but God wanted her for another and larger place. Our hearts are still and sad in the memory and love of our sister, but resigned to the will and peaceful in the comfort of the Heavenly Father, and from our sorrow we take new devotion to the kingdom of our Master and Lord.

S. W. BELL.

## MRS. A. B. LEONARD.

FROM the quiet of her home in Madison, New Jersey, and surrounded by her family, the pure spirit of Sister Caroline Amelia Leonard, née Kiser, took its flight for the heavenly mansions on the morning of August 31, 1899. She was the youngest of the family of ten children of Samuel and Mary Ann Kiser and was born at West Point, not far from Lafayette, Indiana, on the 17th day of June, 1840. When about sixteen years of age the family removed to Iowa, settling in the Iowa River valley. It was shortly after this that she gave her young heart and life to the Savior, receiving such a clear evidence of her forgiveness and acceptance that she never for one moment, even to her death, doubted the genuineness of the work wrought in her by the power of the Spirit of God. Her parents were members of the Christian, known sometimes as the Disciple Church, and she identified herself with this Church, and at once became an active worker therein. The thoroughness of the work in her salvation was not only a source of great comfort to her, but qualified her for the years of useful, helpful service which followed as the wife of an itinerant Methodist preacher.

It was on the 19th day of February, 1861, that she was united in marriage to the Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D., LL. D., who at that time was closing his first year in the Pittsburg Conference. Conscious of the great responsibility resting upon her as the wife of a minister, coming in contact with very great numbers of people, she determined, by the grace of God helping her, to do her whole part, and those who have been privileged to know her, coming in contact with her life and work and influence, know how successfully she measured up to the required standard. Retiring in disposition, gentle and refined in manner, pure in heart, wise in counsel, and holy in life, she drew all classes of people around her, the old and the young, the rich and the poor alike. To those whose lives

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were filled with sorrow she seemed the messenger of tidings of comfort and cheer.

Her life, though quiet and retiring, and for many years past denied, through affliction, the activity of Church work, was nevertheless one of remarkable beauty and purity and power. Her insight upon all questions of Church life and work was remarkable, and her devoted but now bereaved husband pays this tribute to her memory and life, that he never knew her to err in judgment in reference to matters relating to the interests of the Church. She spoke and lived largely through her husband. In addition to a course in the public schools, she spent some two years as a student in the Sugar Grove Institute, in Indiana, thereby laying the foundations for a life of usefulness in the Church, and all through her life was a constant reader of the best literature, being particularly interested in the literature of the Church. When the Chautauqua Reading Circle was instituted she became a member of it, and read the entire four years' course, graduating in the first class in 1882. All this was done while the cares of raising the family were upon her. An enthusiastic temperance advocate and worker, she became a member of the W. C. T. U., and always wore the badge of the society. As wife and mother, no life ever surpassed that of Sister Leonard. The devotion which existed between husband and wife and mother and children was most touching and remarkable. Perfect confidence, the one in the other, characterized the home life, her chief desire being that the whole family should be one in Christ, and God gave her the desire of her heart, and to-day the five remaining children, two having preceded the mother to the glory land, are active workers in the Church she so much loved. Her daughter May is the wife of the Rev. C. S. Woodruff, D. D., of the Newark Conference. Her daughter, Lillian A. Slack, is one of the most capable Church and Sunday-school workers, while the remaining daughter, Lena Ann, is the wife of Rev. John F. Fisher, D. D., of the East Ohio Conference. The eldest son, Asbury Osmon, a business man, is actively engaged in Church work, and Adna Wright is qualifying himself for the work of the Christian ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The quiet, earnest, pure, and holy life has borne its fruit, and long years hereafter will doubtless speak for Christ and his Church.

Sister Leonard had for many years been an invalid, and with it a very great sufferer. Only those of the family can form any correct conception of the intensity of the sufferings of the past sixteen years. How sweet the assurance, "There shall be no more pain!" Her tenacity of life was very great. Several times in years past it was thought the end must be at hand, but not so. Her sufferings were beyond description, and yet with a patience equally as great, given her by the Christ whom she trusted, she was sustained at all times. In Holy Writ it is recorded "that the Captain of our salvation was made perfect through suffering," and "that we must, through much tribulation, enter into the kingdom of heaven;" and Sister Leonard having, like her Divine Lord, been made, in some approximate degree at least, perfect through suffering, is, we verily believe, to-day robed and crowned at God's right hand. For the past sixteen weeks she seemed to be skirting the borders of the Promised Land, ready at any moment to cross over; but it was not until Thursday last that the Master said to her: "It is enough; come up higher." On the day preceding her death, and while alone for a moment, her husband being in the adjoining room, she began chanting the old hymn:

"There will be no more sorrow there;  
There will be no more sorrow there;  
In Heaven above, where all is love,  
There will be no more sorrow there."

Conversing with her husband and family, she said: "I used to have a fear of death, but it is all gone. Jesus has taken it all away. The valley is beautiful. It is glorious. It is not dark. Jesus lights it." Turning to one

of the sons standing by the bedside, she said: "Lean hard on Jesus." And then turning to one of the daughters standing by the other side of the bed repeated: "And you lean hard on Jesus." She had learned through forty years of service and discipline the blessedness of so doing, and in her parting moments could give no better advice to those who lingered behind: "Lean hard on Jesus." Truthfully did Watts write:

"Jesus can make a dying bed  
 Feel soft as downy pillows are,  
 While on his breast I lean my head  
 And breathe my life out sweetly there."

V. F. BROWN.

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MRS. WILLIAM B. MOLER.

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MARY MARGARET MCCAN MOLER was of pure Methodist lineage. Her great-grandfather, William Brown, of Bolingbroke Manor, Maryland, was one of Asbury's first converts. He testified to the genuineness of that change, as well as to the uncompromising attitude of Methodism in those days, by emancipating his slaves, though this reduced him to poverty.

Her grandfathers on both sides were of the sturdy type of Baltimore Methodists; one, Rev. James McCan, a pioneer preacher in the early days of Ohio's settlement: the other, John Bruscup, one of the giants of the pew who "had power with God and prevailed."

From such ancestry, it is not surprising that Mrs. Moler developed strong religious traits, leading to an early conversion, and increasing with the years into a beautifully consecrated womanhood. At the age of sixteen she was married to Rev. W. B. Moler, and became his judicious co-operator through their itinerant life of thirty years, and his strong reliance through the long subsequent years of his confirmed invalidism.

After their withdrawal from active work, her unusual gifts were a blessing to the charges within whose bounds they made their home; and, as in the Parable of the Talents, her gifts grew with the using. To many a young minister, who came within the sphere of her influence, she has proved in critical periods an invaluable counselor. Her beneficent ministry to those, in sorrow and affliction was drawn from the deep wells of religious experience from which her own soul had been refreshed.

Her beautiful character has been thus summed up by one who knew her most intimately: "Sweetness; strength; courage; a true unselfishness, in which 'tears were transmuted into sustaining tenderness' for another's need; wonderful poise of character; readiness of resource in all emergencies; marvelous self-control, the tried soul ever nerving itself to endure worthily at times when it is easier to weep than refrain from tears; a sympathetic nature which rejoiced with those who rejoiced, and wept with those who wept. Ah! surely the world is better for the passage of such souls across its surface."

How simple the record of her life; her birth in 1845; converted in 1854, married in 1861; her itinerant life from that date to 1891; her life of active work for God and her fellows terminated only by her death, Sabbath morning, July 16, 1899.

Here we toll the funeral bell; but in the "land that is not afar off" the joy bells have welcomed this loved one, not lost, but gone before.



## VIII.

# Cincinnati Conference Historical Society.

### DIRECTORS.

Term expires 1900—F. G. Mitchell, S. O. Royal, M. E. Ketcham.  
Term expires 1901—W. I. Fee, D. J. Starr, C. H. Haines.  
Term expires 1902—T. H. Pearne, J. F. Marlay, W. H. Wehrly.

### OFFICERS.

*President*—Thomas H. Pearne, D. D.      *Treasurer*—F. G. Mitchell, D. D.  
*Vice-President*—J. F. Marlay, D. D.      *Custodian*—Stanley O. Royal.  
*Secretary*—Merrick E. Ketcham.

### LIFE MEMBERS.

Members of the Conference who pay \$5 or more to the Society.  
Asbury Lowrey, D. D.

### HONORARY MEMBERS.

Those who pay \$3 or more to the Society, or make valuable and approved contributions to the Society.

Mrs. Asbury Lowrey, . . . . .	Evanston.
Joseph Eichelberger, . . . . .	Urbana, Ohio.
Lewis C. Smith, . . . . .	Urbana, Ohio.
Miss Vina Dickey, . . . . .	Troy, Ohio.
Rev. C. W. Rishell, . . . . .	Boston, Mass.
Elijah M. Fitch, . . . . .	Ripley, Ohio.
Rev. T. F. Royal, . . . . .	Salem, Oregon.
John W. Dale, . . . . .	Cincinnati, Ohio.
Rev. George W. Vorhis, . . . . .	Cincinnati Conference.
Mrs. John Shinn, . . . . .	Marysville, Ohio.
Lewis N. Gatch, . . . . .	Milford, Ohio.
Mrs. M. H. Drees, . . . . .	Xenia, Ohio.
Rev. C. W. Taneyhill, . . . . .	Wapakoneta, Ohio.
Rev. J. P. Porter, D. D., . . . . .	Cincinnati Conference.
Rev. T. A. Goodwin, D. D., . . . . .	Indianapolis, Ind.
Mrs. Katharine Clark Mullikin, . . . . .	Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Mrs. Bishop Morris, . . . . .	Springfield, Ohio.
R. T. Miller, . . . . .	Covington, Ky.

### MEMBERS.

All members of the Conference are members of the Historical Society, and are entitled to a voice and vote in all meetings.

Received this year:

From Mrs. Asbury Lowrey—valuable pamphlets and letters of Bishop Hamline, and others.

From Mrs. Mullikin—Methodist Magazine, 5 volumes, 1824 to 1826. Methodist Magazine and Quarterly Review, 2 volumes, 1839-1840; Quarterly Review, 7 volumes, 1841-1847; Methodist Quarterly Review, 10 volumes, 1850-1856, and 1860-1862; Historical Sketch of Trinity Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

From Mr. R. T. Miller—copy of "Disciplinograph."

From Mrs. Bishop Morris—letter and pamphlets left by Bishop Morris.

MERRICK E. KETCHAM, *Secretary*.

IX.

## Proceedings

OF THE

# Lay Electoral Conference.

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THE LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE of the Cincinnati Conference convened in the Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio, September, 1, 1899. W. C. Wilson, of West Carrollton, called the meeting to order. Judge G. W. Stanley, of Lebanon, was elected Temporary Chairman, and, after prayer by Mr. E. E. Shipley, of Avondale, Mr. Geo. E. Randall, of Waynesville, was elected Secretary.

After motion of J. N. Gamble, the bar of the Conference was established at the tenth seat.

On motion of Judge W. R. Warnock, the Secretary called the roll of delegates as printed in the *Western Christian Advocate*, and, on motion, the roll as called was made the official roll of the Conference.

One hundred and twenty-two responded to their names, several coming in afterwards. Those present were as follows. (See List of Delegates.)

The temporary organization was, upon motion, made permanent, and the Secretary, being authorized, called to his assistance Mr. Foss Zartman, of Jamestown.

The Chair ruled that the list called by the Secretary was official, and that those elected by their respective Quarterly Conferences are delegates, and not those elected by this body.

A resolution was adopted providing that nominating speeches be limited to three minutes, and that the election should be in the following order: Two delegates, two provisional delegates, two reserve delegates, and two reserve provisional delegates.

The Chair appointed as judges of the election J. M. Robinson, of Cincinnati District; J. R. Boalt, of Dayton District; and Simeon Taylor, of Springfield District. Tellers, W. R. Walker, of Georgetown District, and P. R. Wickerham, of Hillsboro District.

Secretary called the roll of the districts for nominations First, Cincinnati; and the following were presented in their order—Richard Dymond, by Chas. Crapsey; Geo. B. Johnson, by J. E. Jones; J. N. Gamble, by C. W. Cole; M. A. Richards, by W. H. Todhunter.

Dayton District—Dr. Jas. Hayes, by Dr. J. B. Bradley; R. W. Burns, by B. F. Howard; Alexander Boxwell, by Dr. F. B. McNeal.

Springfield District—Judge W. R. Warnock, by H. G. Marshall.

Georgetown District—Col. C. L. Greeno, by G. W. Pettitt.

Hillsboro District—C. L. Spencer, by L. M. Garfield.

Nomination closed, and balloting ordered.

The Chair announced the arrival of a Committee from the Cincinnati Annual Conference; and, on motion, the Chair appointed the following Committee to confer with the above: Judge W. R. Warnock, J. W. Story, and W. C. Wilson.

The Chairman at this point presented the Ministerial Committee from the Annual Conference, composed of Drs. Starr, Porter, and Rev. Heber Ketcham. Dr. Starr addressed the Conference.

W. F. Boyd presented a financial matter in reference to meeting expense of railroad representative, and for the sexton of the church. A collection was ordered, and \$14.25 was received.

Dr. J. M. King, Secretary of the Church Extension Society, was introduced, and spoke to the Conference on the work of the Society. On the first ballot there were 128 votes cast. Judge W. R. Warnock, receiving a majority of 74, was declared elected.

On motion, Judge Warnock was elected to respond to Bishop Andrews's address at the joint session in the afternoon.

Chair declared a motion to adjourn out of order at this time.

The Secretary reported second ballot, which resulted in no election.

A motion to adjourn carried.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

CHAIRMAN STANLEY called the meeting to order at 1.45, and the Conference proceeded with the third ballot, which resulted in no election.

The fourth ballot was ordered.

At this point the Cincinnati Annual Conference entered the room, and the Chairman, in a few well-chosen words, introduced Bishop Andrews, who spoke briefly of the history of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was listened to with much interest. Judge Warnock was next introduced, and his eloquent remarks were received with such enthusiasm that it made assurance doubly sure that no mistake had been made in his election to General Conference.

Bishop Thoburn, the next speaker, captured all hearts by his enthusiastic presentation of the Philippine question.

Bishop Andrews introduced Rev. L. E. Linzell, who is to accompany Bishop Thoburn to India on his return.

After singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," and benediction by Dr. Fee, the Conference separated.

Secretary announced the fourth ballot, which resulted in no choice.

Fifth ballot taken with like result.

On the sixth ballot, Mr. J. N. Gamble, having received a majority, was declared the other delegate.

A communication was read by W. C. Wilson from the Baltimore Lay Electoral Conference in reference to memorializing the General Conference as to the seating of the provisional delegates.

On motion, a Committee of three, consisting of W. C. Wilson, Judge W. R. Warnock, and James N. Gamble, was appointed to memorialize the General Conference, and request it to seat the provisional delegates as soon as possible after the convening of the General Conference.

On motion, the other parties named for regular delegates were nominated as candidates for provisional delegates. A ballot was taken, and Mr. Robert W. Burns received 57 votes, and Mr. C. L. Greeno, 48 votes; these being a majority of the votes cast on the ballot, were declared elected as provisional delegates.

Nominations were called for reserve delegates, and the following were nominated: Alexander Boxwell, James Hayes, Geo.

B. Johnson, Richard Dymond, H. G. Marshall, H. C. Minnich, and C. L. Spencer.

On the second ballot, Mr. Minnich, having received 46 votes, a majority of those cast, was declared elected; and on the fifth ballot, Mr. Johnson, having received 27 votes, the majority of those cast, was declared elected.

On motion, Mr. Alexander Boxwell and Mr. Richard Dymond, having received the next highest votes on the last ballot, were elected as the reserve delegates for the provisional delegates.

The Conference was then adjourned.

GEO. E. RANDALL,  
Secretary.

## DELEGATES TO THE LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

## CINCINNATI DISTRICT,

Bond Hill and Pleasant Ridge, F. D.  
Acomb.

Carthage, S. W. Bell.

## CINCINNATI:

Asbury, G. E. Malsbary.  
Avondale, Geo. B. Johnson.  
Clifton, E. P. Marshall.  
Christie, J. M. Robinson.  
Columbia, Chas. Crapsey.  
Cumminsville, J. A. Haywood.  
Delta Avenue, R. H. Halley.  
McKendree, M. M. Garrett.  
Mt. Auburn, C. W. Cole.  
Mt. Lookout, J. G. O'Connell.  
Price Hill, W. F. Boyd.  
Hopple Street, W. E. Shaw.  
St. Paul, R. Dymond.  
Trinity, R. B. Woods.  
Walnut Hills, J. E. Jones.  
Wesley, J. G. Rutter.  
York Street, H. C. Lippert.  
Dellii, M. A. Richards.  
Groesbeck, E. M. Bevis.  
Lockland and Wyoming, C. A. Ault.  
Newtown, W. W. Highlands.  
NORWOOD:  
Grace, E. W. Jewett.  
Westwood, J. N. Gamble.  
Winton Place, S. Hannaford.

## DAYTON DISTRICT.

Bethany, G. M. Magie.  
Centerville, Nathan James.  
Concord, J. S. Owen.  
DAYTON:  
Broadway, W. C. Reeder.  
Grace, J. R. Boalt.  
Raper, Dr. J. Hays.  
Riverdale, J. E. Carson.  
St. Paul, J. F. Iliff.  
Trinity, D. H. Corson.  
Eaton, A. Coffman.  
Franklin, B. F. Howard.  
Germantown, O. G. Brown.  
Glendale and Pt. Union, D. C. Brate.  
Hamilton, S. D. Fitton.  
Lewisburg, A. P. Zellar.  
Miamisburg, H. C. Hunt.  
Middletown, W. H. Todhunter.  
Osborn, D. W. Fortney.  
Oxford, Prof. O. B. Finch.  
Red Lion, J. L. Swink.  
Seven-mile, J. C. Richardson.  
Springboro, Dr. J. M. Hunt.

West Alexandria, C. M. Mause.  
West Chester, R. M. Phillips.  
West Elkton, A. Hahn.  
Venice, Chas. Wagner.

## GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

Amelia, J. H. Dawson.  
Batavia, Wm. R. Walker.  
Butlerville, T. J. Patterson.  
Centenary, Rev. H. Hill.  
Chilo, Frank Marriatt.  
Feesburg, Geo. Rosselot.  
Felicity, Price Fee.  
Georgetown, W. H. Hannah.  
Laurel, A. J. Temple.  
Lebanon, G. W. Stanley.  
Maineville, Frank Shawhan.  
Mason, W. C. Cox.  
Milford, Lewis N. Gatch.  
Morrow, T. A. Stevens.  
Moscow, Rev. James McNath.  
Owensville, Rev. E. J. T. Connelly.  
Ripley, Miss Lottie Boyer.  
Summerside, M. F. Ross.  
West Union, G. W. Pettitt.  
Williamsburg, Millard F. McNutt.  
Williamsburg Circuit, Mrs. Jennie  
Titus.

## HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Blanchester, A. Curless.  
Bowersville, D. B. Earley.  
Dunkinsville, O. H. Collins.  
Greenfield, J. W. Story.  
Highland, D. S. Ferguson.  
Hillsboro, Prof. H. C. Minnich.  
Jamestown, Foss Zartman.  
New Burlington, Wm. N. Buckley.  
New Jasper, E. R. Hiegler.  
Peebles, Peter Wickersham.  
Leesburg, Rev. M. J. Redkey.  
Sabina, J. B. Tenor.  
Sinking Spring, O. C. Wickesham.  
Union, Aaron Crites.  
Waynesville, G. E. Randall.  
Winchester, Walter E. Roberts.  
XENIA:  
First Church, L. M. Garfield.  
Trinity, O. B. Conwell.

## SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Arcanum, W. O. Smith.  
Brandt, A. A. Stevens.  
Cedarville, D. S. Dixon.  
Christiansburg, F. B. McNeil.  
Covington, Conrad Nethl.

Dialton, S. H. Penquite.  
Greenville, R. B. Jamison.  
Mechanicsburg, V. S. Macgruder.  
Mutual, M. E. Hinton.  
New Carlisle, W. T. Hill.  
New Moorefield, Samuel Robinson.

## PIQUA:

Grace, A. D. Lichlider.  
Greene Street, Dr. W. P. Hall  
South Charleston, J. F. Pugsley.  
South Charleston Circuit, W. S.  
Woolsey.

## SPRINGFIELD:

Central, Wm. Herr.  
Clifton Avenue, W. A. Gibbs.  
Grace, J. H. Morrett.  
High Street, H. S. Bradley.  
St. Paul, H. G. Marshall.  
Tippecanoe City, Simeon Taylor.  
Troy, J. C. Byrnett.  
Troy Circuit, W. M. Peterson.

## URBANA:

First Church, W. R. Warnock.  
Grace, E. G. Banta.  
Yellow Springs, A. D. Sniveley.

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